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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship PATNA, 1,780 Tons, 300 H.P., Commander Ellis, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 30th January 1872, at 4 P.M.

Jan. 1872.		Feb. 1872.
Leave BOMBAY	30	Leave Colombo 8
,, VINGORLA	31	,, Negapatam 9
,, Carwar ..... Feb.	1	,, Negapatam 12
,, Mangalore	2	,, Ponnicherry 13
,, Cannanore	3	,, Madras 15
,, Tellicherry	5	,, Cocanada 17
,, Calicut	4	,, Vizagapatam 18
,, Beypore	5	,, Bimlipatam 19
,, Cochin	5	,, Gopaulpore 19
,, Aliepey	6	,, False Point 20
,, Tuticorin	7	Arrive CALCUTTA 21

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherrie District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore and proceed by Road or by rail. Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

N.B.—The above Steamer will callout Vingorla if inducement offers.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Busora, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MOHOMEKAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam-ship ETHIOPIA, 1,132 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander T. Sanders, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 2nd February 1872, at noon.

Feb. 1872.			Feb. 1872.
Leave BOMBAY	2	Leave BUSSORAH	21
,, Kurrachee	6	Arrive Fao	21
Arrive Guadur	7	,, Bushire	23
,, Muscat	9	,, Linga	28
			March.
,, Bunder Abbas	11	,, Bunder Abbas	1
,, Linga	13	,, Muscat	3
,, Bushire	15	,, Guadur	5
,, Fao	17	Leave Kurrachee	8
Arrive BUSSORAH	18	Arrive BOMBAY	11

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Steamers leaving Point de Galle for Australia on the 1st and 15th of each month, at noon.

The Steam-ship EUPHRATES, 650 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander C. D. Hutchison, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 26th January 1872, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

"WILSON" LINE.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(To follow the Orlando.)

The Fine New Steamer

VIRAGO,

1,800 Tons, 250 H.P. (Nom.), will be despatched on the

20TH MARCH,

HAS excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers, and will carry a Surgeon and Stewardess.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY,

exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board:—

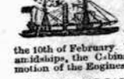
	First Class.	Second Class.
TO SUEZ	Rs. 300	Rs. 200
TO LIVERPOOL	,, 500	,, 300

For further particulars apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.

LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

REDUCED PASSAGE RATES.



THE fine Clyde built Full-powered Steamer ATALANTA, 2,300 Tons Register, 400 H.P., G. Mathews Commander, will SAIL for LIVERPOOL, via the SUEZ CANAL, about the 10th of February. The Passenger accommodation being placed amidships, the Cabins are well ventilated, and free from the motion of the Engines. Will carry a Surgeon and Stewardess.

FIRST CLASS FARE to LIVE POOL £45 { Exclusive of Wines, &c.

Children under 10—Half Fare; under 4—Free.

Plans of the accommodation can be seen in our Office.

For passages apply to

JOHNSON & Co., Ship-brokers.

Nicol Lane, Fort, Bombay.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company intends to despatch every month a Steamer from TRIESTE to BOMBAY and *vice versa*. The Steamers APIS and SPHINX have only limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers. The rates for Cabin Passengers include food and table wine through Egypt, and free conveyance of 3 cwt. luggage. For Baggage in excess £4 per Ton is charged.

The SPHINX, 1,400 tons, will be despatched from Bombay on or about the 10th February, and the MINERVA, 3,124 tons, on or about the 10th March.

PASSENGER RATES FROM BOMBAY PER APIS AND SPHINX.

	Cabin.	Deck, with Food.
To Trieste	£40	£19- 0
To Port Said	£30	£14- 6
To Suez	£28	£13- 7
To Aden	£16	£ 7-13

The Imperial Mail Steamer MINERVA, 3,124 Tons, 400 H.P., which has exceedent accommodation for a large number of Passengers, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess, will leave Bombay on or about the 10th March.

RATES OF PASSAGE PER MINERVA.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
To Trieste	£50 0	£35 0	£19 0
To Port Said	£37 0	£25 0	£14 6
To Suez	£36 0	£24 0	£13 7

Children under 3 years of age, Free; above 3 and under 10 years, Half Fare.

Cargo taken for Trieste, also for Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa, Aden, Egypt, England, and the Continent generally.

THERE is also a weekly service by MAIL STEAMERS between Alexandria and Trieste, also in connection with the P. & O. Co.'s Mail Steamers to and from Suez. The Austrian Lloyd's Mail Steamers leave Alexandria direct for Trieste immediately after the arrival of the Bombay and Calcutta Mails from Suez. The distance between Alexandria and Trieste is 200 miles shorter than that between Alexandria and Marseilles, and the voyage to Trieste is much more agreeable, it being a coasting trip full of variety of beautiful scenery from the Island of Candia to the Port of Trieste. The passage occupies only 4½ to 5 days and the Company's best Steamers are employed on this line, which are built expressly for this service, with special regard to the accommodation and comfort of Passengers, and have on board an experienced Surgeon on board. At Trieste the traveller has an extensive choice of picturesque and interesting routes, occupying from three days six hours to five days to London, at an expense varying from £7 to £13.

Passengers by the P. & O. Co.'s steamers to Suez can have their baggage forwarded by that Company's steamers from Alexandria to Southampton, at a charge of 10s. per cwt., for the regulated allowance of 2 cwt., and of 20s. per cwt. for excess (the regulated allowance of 2 cwt., and of 20s. per cwt. for excess being both exclusive of transit through Egypt), to which the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Suez will attend.

The undersigned grants also Passage Tickets for the steamers plying between Alexandria and Trieste, and for the Railway between Suez and Alexandria.

PASSENGER RATES FROM ALEXANDRIA TO TRIESTE.

First Class	£13
Second Class	£9

Children under 10 years at Half Fare; under 2 years, Free.

REDUCED RATES FOR FAMILIES, consisting of not less than 3 adult members travelling together:—First Class, £10-16 per head; Second Class, £7-10 per head.

Personal Baggage allowed Free: 1st Class 200 lbs., 2nd Class 150 lbs., overweight 10s. per 100 lbs.

Railway Tickets, from SUEZ to ALEXANDRIA, with all the privileges of Passengers by the P. & O. Co.:—First Class, £3; Second Class, £2. Children over 3 and under 10 years at Half Fare. Free Baggage—1st Class 6 cwt., 2nd Class 200 lbs., overweight 7s. per cwt.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Manager.

Bombay, 12, Meadow Street, 15th January 1872.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 29th January, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. AUSTRALIA, (3,684 tons and 600 H.P.) Captain J. S. Murray, will LEAVE, for SUEZ as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool, London and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

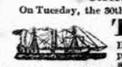
Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, BENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 30th January, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.



THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. ORISSA, (1,616 tons and 300 H.P.), Captain P. S. Tomlin, will be despatched as above carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before noon, on Saturday, the 27th January.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL.)

To be despatched next Month.

The fine new S.S. RED GAUNTLET, Captain Mann, 1,429 Tons, 1,000 Horse Power, effective, will be despatched as above.

This Vessel is fitted with superior accommodation for Passengers, embracing the most recent appliances likely to conduce to their comfort.

Plans of the accommodation may be seen, and further particulars learned, on application to

REMINGTON & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 20th January 1872.

"WILSON" LINE.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(To follow the s.s. Xantho.)

WALAMO, 1,800 Tons, 250 H. P. (Nom.)

THIS favourite Steamer will be again despatched on 28th January. She has excellent and well ventilated accommodation (amidships) for a large number of First Class Passengers, and can also take a few in the Second Cabin. She carries an experienced Doctor and Stewardess, and in table arrangements and otherwise everything will be done to insure the comfort of passengers. The Rates of Passage are as follow:—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
To Suez	£30	£20
To Liverpool	£50	£30

Exclusive of Wines and Liquors, which, however, can be had on board. Applications for passage to be made to Messrs. GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co., or to

WALLACE & Co.

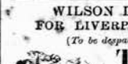
Bombay, 19th December 1871.

N.B.—Will be followed by the well-known s.s. Orlando, leaving the end of February.

WILSON LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(To be despatched hence on 31st instant.)



THE full-powered and favourite Passenger Screw Steam-ship ROLLO, 1,437 registered tons, Captain Abbott.

The accommodation of this fine new Vessel which is amidships and similarly arranged to that of the Orlando, so well known in the trade, is extensive and exceptionally good and well ventilated.

RATES OF PASSAGE ARE—

1st Class to Suez	£40
,, ,, to Liverpool	£50
2nd ,, to ,,	£20

exclusive of Wines, &c., which however can be procured on board at moderate prices.

A Stewardess is carried, and special provision has been made by the Owners to ensure efficient general attendance to Passengers, the absence of which so frequently occasions inconvenience and discomfort.

A medical man of experience is regularly attached to the Steamer, and punctuality with respect to date of departure will be observed.

Plans of the accommodation may be seen, and further particulars learned, on application to Messrs. GRINDLAY, GROOM, and Co., or to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 2nd January 1872.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY (VIA CANDIA).

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

The regular Steamers leave

GENOA on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15	£4	
Suez	36	22	8	Including Wines.
Port Said	38	24	9	
Alexandria	39	25	9-10	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles (transshipment at Genoa)	52	35	14-10	Without Food.

Children under 3 years, free of charge.

Children not above 10 years, half fare.

Next Steamers from Bombay:—

PERSIA, on THURSDAY, 1st FEBRUARY 1872.

INDIA, on FRIDAY, 1st MARCH 1872.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 30th September 1871.

NOTICE.—Consignees per s.s. ROLLO are hereby informed of the ARRIVAL of the VESSEL, and requested to TAKE DELIVERY at once of their respective GOODS

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 23rd January 1872.

NOTICE.—Consignees per s.s. PENGUIN are hereby informed of the ARRIVAL of the VESSEL, and requested to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 24th January 1872.

NOTICE.—Consignees per Ship SIR JOHN LAWRENCE, arrived from Calcutta, are requested to DESPATCH BOAT and TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS; otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain, without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 24th January 1872.

HOMEWARD PASSENGERS VIA BOMBAY.

PASSAGES to SUEZ and EUROPE engaged and BAGGAGE Received and Shipped.

PAY and FUND ALLOWANCES realized.

CIRCULAR NOTES issued payable in EGYPT and throughout EUROPE.

BANK of ENGLAND NOTES, SOVEREIGNS, and NAPOLEONS supplied.

BILLS GRANTED on MESSRS. GRINDLAY AND CO., LONDON, at the EXCHANGE of the DAY.

APPROVED DRAFTS on CALCUTTA and MADRAS, on demand, and GOVERNMENT CURRENCY NOTES of any Circle of Paymaster received at par.

GRINDLAY, GROOM, AND CO., BOMBAY.

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EDUCATION IN ENGLAND.

LULWORTH LODGE, BIRKDALE PARK, SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.

MISS THOMSON receives a limited number of young Ladies, to whose mental culture and religious training her entire time is devoted. Resident Foreign and English Governesses: also Visiting Professors.

The salubrity of this favourite Watering-place, distant from Liverpool twenty miles, renders it a desirable residence for Delicate Children, or those from abroad.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 9, Marine Street, Bombay.

MESSRS. CRAWFORD AND CO.

Have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at the LIGHT-HOUSE, Colaba, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st January, and THURSDAY, the 1st February next, THE SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Mostly made to order and nearly new,

AN EBARD & SEMI-GRAND MAHOGANY PIANOFORTE,

Polished Plate Mirrors,

Elegant Time-pieces, Bronze Figure Clocks,

Candelabras, Ormulu, Bronze, and decorative articles, Bronze Statues, &c.,

Engravings, Chromolithographs and Photographs,

Handsome Dinner, Dessert, Breakfast, and Tea Services,

Beautiful cut and moulded Glass,

Plated Goods,

CARRIAGES, Harness, &c., manufactured specially to order by first-class London Houses, and but little used,

An Aviary of Canaries and other rare Birds,

Parrots and Cockatoos with perches,

Brussels Carpets, and Madras Cane Matting,

3 high caste ARAB HORSES standing in double or single harness, and over 14-2½ hands,

Bullocks and Aden Cows,

Choice Plants, in tubs, pots, and vases.

The appointments of the Domestic Offices.

A quantity of Wines and Europe stores, specially selected and imported direct.

And other Appointments of a first-class Establishment.

The Property of Henry Meiland, Esq.

Full particulars will be published, Catalogues will be ready this afternoon, and the property is now on view.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1872.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

WEEKLY SALE.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 27th instant, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a large quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, &c., &c.

AT 1 P.M.

Just Landed per Ship Jumna.

One new Canoe Barouche, painted lake and lined blue morocco with handsome plated lamps, pole and shafts, complete, by H. Lovell, London.

Under instructions, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will submit to Public Auction, at the Apollo Boarded Warehouse, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, at 2 P.M., on account of the concerned, the following packages saved from the wrecked Steamer Breadalbane ex Codabux and Teazer—

2+ packages Sundries.

TERMS CASH—Purchasers will have to pay Custom Duty and clear the goods from the Warehouse.

AUCTION SALE of Cotton Presses, Iron Tanks, Brass and Copper Pots, Dishes, Tongs, Ladles, Scales with weights, and a good number of other Utensils, Carts and Bullocks, Camels, &c., &c., at Oomrawutteo.

On MONDAY, the 29th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place, by order of the Receiver and Manager of the late Runchordass Mangjee, the abovementioned Brass and Copper Utensils, &c., &c.

Also, on the same day at 4 P.M.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, with a messuage or shop standing thereon, situate in the large Kroff Lane, at Oomrawutteo, measuring 40 — in length and 40 — in width. It is bounded on the east by a road, and on the west by the temple of Duty Mooridhur, and on the south by the shop of a Wo a and the house of a basket maker, and on the north by a road, and being opposite to the shop of Mohanlal Radhakisan.

Also, on the same day, at 5 P.M.

A lease of a piece of loam land belonging to Sivchiram Gungadin, is let to Run hordass Mangjee, deceased, at Rs. 60 per annum, it bears No. 61, and is 260 cubits in length and 200 cubits in bread h, it is bounded on the east by the ground of Bairamba Jeram, on the south by the ground of Wora Jeffeejee Haftoolabhai, on the west by the ground of Sivchiram Gungadin, on the north by the part of Soma Dhanjee. The lease is dated the 11th day of July 1868, and extends the time for 25 years, that is from 1868 to 1893.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable English Walnutwood and richly-up n Carved Black wood Household Furniture, handsome lated 6, 8, 10 and 12 Light Chandeliers by Nesti, valuable Clocks, first-rate Musical Boxes, large Iron Safes, rich Ornaments, &c.

On THURSDAY, the 8th proximo, at 12 o'clock noon, Messrs. BENNETT and Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of the Receiver and Manager of the Estate of the late Rustomjee Merjee, the very valuable and handsome Household Furniture, &c., &c.

Full particulars will be given hereafter. Catalogues will be published, and the property be on view, 4 days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable and handsome Household Furniture, best Plated rich Crockery and Glassware, a handsome Riding Horse, Pants, &c., at Malabar Hill.

On WEDNESDAY, the 21st, and THURSDAY, the 22nd proximo, Messrs. ENNETT and Co. are inst ucted to sell by Public Auction, at his residence, at the abovementioned place, the very valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., the property of the Hon'ble H. P. St. G. Tucker.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view, 5 days before the day of sale.

FOR SALE ON COMMISSION.

One comfortable roomy Brougham, with shafts and pole, for a single or a pair of Horses.

One handsome English light Mail Phaeton with a fast-footing handsome Australian Mare.

One Grey Arab, about 8 years old, nearly 15 hands high, a good harness Horse.

One Bay Arab Colt, 4 years old, about 14-1½, very high-caste.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1872.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GRANT ROAD THEATRE.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29.

FIRST APPEARANCE OF THE ROYAL TYCOON TROUPE OF JAPANESE JUVENILES, IN THEIR WONDERFUL AND PLEASING ENTERTAINMENT.

These Model and Astounding Performances will consist of STARTLING GYMNASTIC AND ACROBATIC EXERCISES, WONDERFUL TRICKS IN JUGGLERY, LIGHT AND HEAVY BALANCING, THE GREAT LADDER AND TUB-ACT, BRILLIANT POSES, ASTOUNDING AND RAPID CHANGES.

JAPANESE PYRAMIDS

THE CELEBRATED

FLIGHT OF BUTTERFLIES.

For full particulars see Programmes.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Dress Circle	Rs. 4	Gallery	2
Family Tickets, to admit 3	10	Pit	1
Stalls	3		

Doors open at 8-30. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock. Tickets may be had and Seats secured at Messrs. Soundy & Co.'s, where a Plan of the Dress Circle may be seen.

BOMBAY PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—TENDERS for the SUPPLY of LABOUR for LASHING BALES PRESSED by the Company during the current year will be received at the Office up to WEDNESDAY, the 14th February next.

Tenders to be endorsed as such, and to state the rate per Bale.

A deposit of Rs. 3,000 to be paid as Security by the party whose Tender may be accepted.

By Order of the Directors,

BRICE, BROWN, & Co., Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 24th January 1872.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

ALTERATION OF TRAINS.

ACCELERATION OF THE THROUGH MAIL TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN BOMBAY AND CALCUTTA AND MADRAS.

On and after THURSDAY next, the 1st FEBRUARY 1872, and until further Notice, the following ALTERATIONS will take effect:—

The Down North-east Mail Train will leave Bombay at 10-30 A.M. as at present, but will reach Jubbulpore at 12-30 Noon on the following day, instead of at 1-30 P.M. as at present. The East Indian Railway Train will leave Jubbulpore after the arrival of the Train from Bombay, and will reach Howrah for Calcutta at 9-30 P.M. on the following day, instead of at 12-0 Midnight as at present.

The Up North-east Mail Train will leave Jubbulpore as at present at 9-15 A.M., but will reach Bombay at 11-45 A.M., instead of at 12-15 P.M. as at present. The Mail Train of the East Indian Railway will leave Howrah at 10-30 P.M., and will reach Jubbulpore in time for the Passengers to proceed by the Up North-east Train for Bombay or intermediate places.

The Down South-east Mail Train will leave Bombay as at present at 11.A.M., and Poona at 7-20 P.M., and will reach Raichore at 11-15 A.M. on the following day. The Madras Company's Train will leave Raichore after the arrival of the Train from Bombay, and will reach Madras at 8-45 A.M. on the following day.

The Up South-east Mail Train will leave Raichore at 12-30 Noon as at present, arriving at Poona at 4-50 A.M., leaving there at 5-20 A.M., and reaching Bombay at 12-1 Noon on the following day, instead of at 11-45 A.M. as at present. The Mail Train of the Madras Company will leave Madras at 3.30 P.M., and will reach Raichore on the following day in time for Passengers to proceed by the Up South-east Mail Train for Poona and Bombay or intermediate places.

Neither of the Companies undertake to detain their Trains for those of the other Company, although Passengers may usually expect to be able to proceed by Trains announced as running in connection with each other over the different Railways.

For further particulars see Company's Time Bill, dated 1st February 1872, exhibited at Stations.

HENRY CONDER, General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 25th January 1872.

A COMPETENT SURVEYOR and LEVELLER REQUIRED for a month or 6 weeks. Salary Rs. 200 a month. One accustomed to Irrigation Works preferred. Apply to Executive Engineer, Akola, West Berar.

CUTLER, PALMER, & CO.'S Fine Old BRANDIES, in three qualities.

Dean Lane, Bombay.

FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the Undersigned, at No. 3, Church Lane,—

SHERRIES—J. Cockburn & Camp ell	at Rs. 25 per Dozen.		
Do.	Cardonell & Co	,,	30 ,,
Do.	J. Gaudin & Son's	,,	24 ,,
Do.	Warchope, Moodie, & Hope's	,,	24 ,,
Do.	M. P. Guimaraes & Son's	,,	20 ,,
Do.	Old pale dry	,,	28 ,,
CHAMPAGNE—Rujnart pere et fils	Pts.	,,	24 ,,
Do.	do.	Qts.	,, 44 ,,
Do.	do.	Magnums	,, 82 ,,
Do.	Arthur H Bowring's Qts.		,, 20 ,,
BRANDIES—Raynal & Co's superior Qts.			,, 24 ,,
Do.	Bisfellean & Co. 3 Daggers		,, 16 ,,
CLARET—R. R. Mege & Co. St. Julien			,, 13 ,,

EWART, LATHAM, & Co.

Best Electro-Plated FISH KNIVES AND FORKS in cases of 12 or 18 with Helpers, at Rs. 54, 60, 65, 70, 130, 140, 155, 180 and 200.

Fish Helpers, at, each pair, Rs. 14, 16, 18, 22-8, 25, 28, 32, 36 and 40.

Electro-Plated Ware of every description, on sale by TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

BENTON AND JOHNSON, MANUFACTURERS OF GOLD AND SILVER THREAD of every description for the INDIA AND CHINA MARKETS.

Gold, Silver, and Tinsel Twists—Braids—Bullions, &c., &c., for Embroidering.

63, KING'S CROSS ROAD, LONDON.

GOLD LEAF, BEST QUALITY, 45s. per 1,000.

NOTICES.

MR. RICHARD WILLIS having retired from our Firm, his INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY therein CEASED on 31st DECEMBER last.

FORBES & Co.

Bombay, 22nd January 1872.

ANY persons having CLAIMS against, or being INDEBTED to, the ESTATE of the late Lieutenant GEORGE HASTINGS TURNER, R. E., are directed to forward the same to the Undersigned within ONE MONTH from THIS DATE, or no notice will be taken of them.

J. H. REYNOLDS, Lieut.-Col., President, Committee of Adjustment.

Dhoolia, 21st January 1872.

NEW BANK of BOMBAY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that an AD-INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 31st December 1871, at the rate of FIVE PER CENT. per annum, will be PAYABLE, on application, on and after the 23RD INSTANT.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. BALFOUR, Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 17th January 1872.

NOTICE TO CONNOISSEURS OF FINE AMERICAN TOBACCO.

THE Undersigned, Sole Agent for Western India of George Campbell & Co., begs to announce that about the 1st proximo will be received, *viâ* Liverpool, per Steamer STIRLING, an Assorted Shipment of 47 packages HIGHLAND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO, comprising several of the Brands whose reputation has been established in other Markets.

JAMES BOGIE.

Bombay, 16th January 1872.

VIEGAS PATENT SLIP and FOUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a FIFTH and FINAL DISTRIBUTION of the ASSETS of the Company, at the rate of RUPEES TWO and ANNAS FOUR per Share, will be PAID to the SHAREHOLDERS at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 4, Cowajee Patell Street, Fort, on and after THURSDAY, the 1st day of February 1872, between the hours of 11 A.M. and 3 P.M.

Distribution Certificates should be produced and delivered up at the time of applying for the distribution.

Those Shareholders who have not yet applied for the payment of the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Distributions of Assets are requested to apply for the same at once, otherwise the same will be dealt with in such manner as the Liquidators may be advised.

SORABJEE FRAMJURZE, For Self and Co-Liquidators.

Bombay, 17th January 1872.

BOLTON'S TELEGRAPH AGENCY.

POLITICAL, FINANCIAL, AND COMMERCIAL NEWS SERVICE.

WITH reference to my Circular to the Banks and Merchants of Bombay, I beg to notify that I am prepared to REGISTER the NAMES of INTENDING SUBSCRIBERS to the COMMERCIAL NEWS SERVICE of this COMPANY, which it is proposed to commence on the 1st proximo.

The Public will have seen from the Telegrams published that this Company is in a position to compete with any other Company, either as regards quantity, quality, despatch or delivery of News, and it is hoped that Merchants and others will accord it a fair share of their support.

D. AGER, Agent.

13th December 1871.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY,—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

Suit No. 820 of 1867.

MADHOWJEE DAYAL and PRAGJEE DAYAL, Hindoo Inhabitants, residing in Mangoe Senoy Street, in the Island of Bombay ..... Plaintiffs.

vs.

NURROTUM NARRONJEE, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing in Guzwadi, in the Island of Bombay; DWARKADASS NARRONJEE; NANDIBAI, widow of the late Narronjee Jethe, deceased; and DEWKERBAI, widow of the late Dayal Narronjee, deceased, respectively, Hindoo Inhabitants, and residing in the above mentioned Mangoe Senoy Street ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Order of Reference made in the above Suit, and bearing date the 2nd day of April 1868, NOTICE is hereby given, that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the ESTATE of the late NARRONJEE JEEJIA, of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, deceased, in the pleadings in this Suit mentioned, who died at Bombay on or about the year 1848, or affecting the ESTATE of DAYAL NARRONJEE, also of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, deceased, (eldest son of the said Narronjee Jeejia, deceased,) in the Pleadings in this Suit mentioned, who died in Bombay on or about the 7th day of November 1861, are hereby required to file such Claims, in writing, in my Office, in Court House, within one month from the date hereof, or in default thereof they will be precluded from any benefit under the said Order.—Dated this 16th day of January 1872.

CHARLES E. FOX, Commissioner.

JEFFERSON & PAYNE, Solicitors for Plaintiff, Madowjee Dyal.

G'S LINIMENT, An infallible curative of Mange and other Skin Diseases.

An unprecedented number of Testimonials have been received, certifying its efficacy. No owner of animals should be without it.

Per Bottle—Rs. 2.

D. S. KEMP AND Co.

TILE MANUFACTORY, MANGALORE.

The Undersigned begs to draw the attention of all Builders, Contractors, &c., to the

FLAT (GROOVED) AND RIDGE TILES, manufactured by Messrs. PFLEIDERER AND RIEHM, Mangalore, which are superior in every way to the usual common Country-made Tiles.

For economy and durability he is confident they are unsurpassable, and will recommend themselves to every one who uses them.

For Roofs covered with them a saving of 1/3rd is effected on Rafters alone, and more than ½ on the Reepers.

300 of these Tiles will cover an area of 220 square feet, whereas 3,000 of the Country Tiles would be required for the same surface.

If carefully laid on, they efficiently prevent all leaking and do not require the periodical changing and turning as the Country Tiles do.

The Undersigned is prepared to receive Orders for the above as Sole Agent for the Manufacturers in Bombay.

SAMPLES ON VIEW.

J. NEUBERG, MEADOW STREET, BOMBAY.

MR. J. NEUBERG, GENERAL MERCHANT AND COMMISSION AGENT, BOMBAY.

PIANOS.

SQUARE PIANOS by SCHIEDMAYER, OF STUTTGART.

Seven Octaves, solid Mahogany or solid Walnut Wood, made expressly for the Climate of India.

The PIANOS imported by Mr. N. during the last seven years from the above Makers have given general satisfaction, and he has every confidence that those now on hand will likewise meet with the approval of the Public. The Pianos have been improved in various points, and Mr. N. ventures to say that every purchaser will not only be pleased with the clear and full tone of the Instrument, but also with its durability and moderate price.

Rs. 575 net Cash.

PIANO STOOLS, English made, richly carved, with Patent Metal Screw, the Seats covered with Morocco Leather; Rs. 22 to 25.

PIANO REQUISITES.

Hammer and Damper Felt, Strings, Tuning Forks and Keys.

HARMONIUMS, BY TRAYSER, OF STUTTGART.

SOLID OAKWOOD CASE; made to stand the Climate of India, as proved by importations of Harmoniums, by above Makers, during the last 15 years.

These Harmoniums have an arrangement for excluding rats and vermin from the interior.

J. NEUBERG.

GEO. W. WHEATLEY & CO., 19, 20, & 23, SASSOON'S BUILDINGS, BOMBAY,

RESPECTFULLY request special attention to the following Branches of their Business:—

TRANSIT AND GENERAL SHIPPING.

Parcels, Packages, and Merchandise despatched by quickest Mail Steam Routes, Railways, and Clipper Ships to all parts of the World. Every description of Custom House Business, Shipping, Landing, and Clearing, outward and inward. Contractors for Annual Carting and Shipping. Estimates for through conveyance to all Railway Stations in Europe, America, and Australia.

PASSENGER.

Passages engaged, Cabins selected, Berths fitted, Outfits obtained.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET quiet. Land shares weak. A lot of Colabs shares were sold Rs. 1,410.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nomi. value of sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	4 p.ct.	Agra Bank	85
22,000	1,000	all	4 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,4 0 nl.
10,000	500	all	6 p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	670
10,000	500	100	6 p.ct.	Do 2nd Ices. issue	195
15,250	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,250
10,000	250	all	6 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	250
40,000	281¼	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	410 n.
40,000	200	all	Nil.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C	140
32,000	250	125	Nil.	National Bank of India	93
10,000	250	all	12 do	Oriental Bank	480

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 73	Colaba Land Co	1,410
5,000	150	all	Nil.	Ferre Land & Pier Co, Ld.	119
750	2,000	2,000	Nil.	Mazagon Land	760
6,000	1,000	all	Nil.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	355

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21 3 0	p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	230
.....	£20	10 9 1 0	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£20	13 10 2	do.	Ditto	
.....	£10	1,000	do.	B B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
.....	£18	19 5 7 1	do.	Do. New Shares	225

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	150p.a.	Albert Mills Co	1,400
600	1,250	all	Nil.	Alexandra Spinning	1,200
800	2,500	all	250*	Alliance Spinning	2,440
100	5,5 0	all	...	Bombay	2 800
900	1,000	all	50*	Bombay United	815
1,000	150	150	25*	Broach Mills	200
750	2,000	all	...	Dhurumsey Spinning	2,525
750	2,000	all	250p.a	Great Eastern	1,500
2,000	1,000	all	140 p.c	Manockji Petit's	1,010
900	1,0 0	all	Nil.	Morarjee Spinning	860
800	2,500	all	125*	Oriental	2,450
600	2,500	2,400	240 p.a	Royal	1,700

* Per share for the half-year

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate.
London	At sight	1s. 11 13/16d.
London Banks	6 months' sight	2s. 0 3 16d.
Do. Credits	do. Do.	2s. 0 5 16 L.
Do. Documents	6 Do. do.	2s. 0 1 4.
Calcutta	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	99¾
Do.	60 Do. Do.	98¾
Madras	At sight	100¼
Do.	30 days' sight	99¾
China	60 Do. do.	217

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	109
New Transfer Loan of Four & half per cent. of 1872	104¼
Four per cent	98¼
Four & half per cent. (Public Works Loan)	106
Five per cent Debenture Loan, 1856-57	103¼
15 years' Debenture Loans	109
10 years' do.	107
5 years' do.	103
Six per cent Municipal Loan House Rate	111
Do. Do. Market Rate	111
New French Loan 5 per cent (2 f. 50 c.) of 1871	92¼
New French Loan (fully paid-up)	93¼
Paris Municipal Loan (Debenture Rs. 117) per Bond.	123 xc.

KHANDEISH AND OOMRAWUTTEE BRANCH RAILWAYS.

Traffic Receip's and Train Mileage for 8 days ended 31st December 1871.

KHAMGAUM.	Receipts. Rs. a. p.	Train Mileage.
Passengers	86 13 8	71
Goods	293 9 11	57
Electric Telegraph	4 7 5	0
Total	381 15 0	128
OOMRAWUTTEE.		
Passengers	124 5 2	38
Goods	446 5 4	106
Electric Telegraph	1 10 10	0
	572 5 4	144

SALES AND PURCHASES.

THE undermentioned Sales are reported to have been effected yesterday by European houses :—

PIECE GOODS.

			Rs. a. f.
3,000	pieces Grey Madapollams,	32 inch 24 yds. 3 lbs.	2 2 0
500	T. Red Cambrics,	24 „ 28 „ 3 lbs.	4 5 6
900	„ „ „	24 „ 28 „ 3 lbs.	4 8 6
1,000	pieces Grey Shirtings,	40 inch 39 yds. 7 lbs.	4 11 0
500	„ „ „	40 „ 39 „ 7½ lbs.	5 7 0
2,000	24 „ Cambrics	30 „ 39 „ 5½ lbs.	3 10 0
4,000	„ „ Shirtings	40 „ 39 „ 8½ lbs.	5 8 0
750	„ „ „	45 „ 39 „ 7 lbs.	4 14 6
500	„ „ „	45 „ 39 „ 8 lbs.	5 8 6
600	„ „ „	50 „ 39 „ 10 lbs.	7 4 0
1,500	„ W. Tanjibs	34 „ 20 „	1 10 6

COTTON.

10	candies New Broach (ready)	... ...	Rs. 261½
50	„ Old Veerungaum'	... ...	„ 227
50	„ Oomrawuttee	... ...	„ ...
50	„ „	... ...	„ 201
50	„ New Broach M. G.	... ...	„ 270
200	„ „ Dhollera (10th May)	... ...	„ 254

YARNS.

3,300	lbs. T. R. Twist, No. 30/60	... ...	... As. 25½
3,000	„ Saffron Colour 40	... ...	... „ 13½

DAILY IMPORTS —25TH JANUARY.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Khimjee Ooolowjee, 4 casks glassware and 65 crates earthware, Nanjee Canjee; 20 cases slates, Bhoymeeya Heptoola; 75 boxes soap, Allybhoy Ameeroodin.

FROM LONDON.

Nelson, 20 cases sewing thread, Bhicoo Sazba & Co.; 17 cases old tom, Bamonjee Manockjee Punthoky.

Pembrokeshire, 90 casks kerosine oil, Aldridge & Co.; 30 cases matches, Albert, Riche & Co.

Walamo (s), 3 cases tobacco, J. Neuberg; 16 cases oilmanstores, Currimbhoy Jeffabhoy.

Ardgowan, 6,629 flooring boards, Peel, Cassels & Co.; 75 casks ale, T. Hammond & Co.; 59 cases soap, Cassum Abdool Rahoman.

Roodee, 1 butt sherry, Payne & Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—25TH JANUARY.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Norah Greene, 54 bales cotton, Callianjee Narunjee; 100 cwts horns, Hajee Mahomed Metha; 500 bales cotton, Ritchie Stewart & Co.

Sam Mendel, 150 bales cotton, E. S. Nandershaw; 150 bales cotton, Goculdass Shamjee.

Manilla, 32 bales cotton, Manoohbhoy Luckmedass.

Violet (s), 300 bales cotton, H. Bomanjee Touche & Co.; 14 bales cotton, Greaves, Cotton & Co.; 7 bales hides skins, H. F. Soares; 100 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott & Co.

Walamo (s), 85 bales wool, Mooljee Jetha & Co.; 600 bundles coir yarn, J. F. Cornforth & Co.; 50 bales wool, Damodar Mathoorndass.

Rollo (s), 150 bales cotton, Buttonsee Goculdass; 50 bales wool, Dhunmay Wassoodass; 135 bales cotton, Poorumull Chimun ram; 15 bales wool, Hurry Thackersey; bales cotton, Finlay Scott & Co.; 72 bales wool, Cursondass Nensey; 30 bales wool, Purshotum Megjee; 50 bales wool, Megjee Narunjee; 2,310 bundles coir yarn, Geerdhur Mooljee; 8 tons old iron, Saick Mahomed Esoofally.

China (s), 200 bales cotton, Campbell, Mitchell & Co.; 100 bales cotton, Finlay, Muir & Co.; 25 bales wool, Pursotum Megjee; 100 bales wool, Canjee Megjee; 150 bales wool, Canjee Megjee.

Penguin (s), 160 cwts horns, Fazul Mahomed Dawa; 500 bales cotton, Rolli Brothers; 111 packages wet dates, Fazala Khakey; 300 packages wet dates, Enderjee Mooneee; 1,000 bales cotton, Ritchie Stewart & Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Ivanhoe, 101 bales cotton, S. Tyebjee & Co.; 11 bales hides, Ludhabhoy Khakey; 670 bundles gallis, Canjee Jetha.

City of Cashmere, 600 bundles gingelly seed, S. Tyebjee & Co.

Glewavon, 100 bales cotton, S. Tyebjee & Co.

China (s), 51 bales cotton, Hengee Necolhoee.

FOR MARSEILLES.

China (s), 100 bags coffee, Kunkler, Preiswerck & Co.

FOR GENOA.

Persia (s), 50 bales cotton, H. Bomanjee Touche & Co.; 200 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.

FOR VENICE.

China (s), 100 bales cotton, G. Sigg & Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Persia (s), 150 bales cotton, H. Bomanjee Touche & Co.; 446 bags paper, Volkart Brothers.

FOR SUEZ.

Australia (s), 50 bales cotton, Killick Nixon & Co.; 1 bundle shawls, and 1 box tea, Ahmed Easoobhaw.

FOR HONGKONG.

Patna (s), bales mule twist, Eduljee Framjee & Co.

Orissa (s), 60 chests M. opium, E. D. Sassoon.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Orissa (s), 12 chests M. opium, Hummutram Hurdewdass.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT.—25TH JANUARY.

London	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d. Nominal.
	Cases	£3 0s. 0d. do.
	Seeds	£2 15s. 0d. do.
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 15s. 0d. to £2 17s. 6d
	Wooden Ships	£2 15s. 0d.
	Myrabolms & Cöir bills	£2 10s. 0d.
	Seeds	£2 5s. 0d.
Havre	Cotton	£3 2s. 6d.
	Coffee	£3 2s. 6d.
Overland	Steamers	£3 15s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£3 5s. 0d. to £3 15s. 0d.
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 6 per bale.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 4 per bale nominal
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 5 0 0 per ton
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 20 and Calcutta Port charges
Mauritius		Nothing doing.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
25	Juliana	Nacoda	Damaun, Jan. 22.
	Prince Leopold	Irvin	Liverpool, Sept. 15.

DEPARTURE.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
25	M. S. Elphinstone (s).	Raffin	Coast and Kattywar.

The ship The Foundling, Varian, to Liverpool, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer Penguin, to Liverpool.

Ship William Stewart, to Rangoon.

Brig Momedally Cadurbux, to Jaffna and Tuticorin.

Schooner Goolamar, to Mozambique.

STEAMER REPORTS.

GALLE, 25th Jan., 6-52 A.M.—Mail steamer from Calcutta signalled.

TRINCOMALEE, 25th Jan., 9-15 A.M.—H. M. S. Daphne from Aden arrived.

TELEGRAPH LINE REPORTS.

KURRACHEE, 25th Jan., 9 P.M.—Latest dates from United Kingdom, via Russia, 25th Jan., 1-36 P.M.; via Turkey, 23rd Jan., 2-38 P.M. From Continent of Europe, via Russia, 24th Jan., 8-45 P.M.; via Turkey, 24th Jan., 4-23 P.M. Cable right to Fao; Turkish line right to Persia; Persian line right to London.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH OFFICE—25th JANUARY, 9 P.M.

Latest dates from United Kingdom.

Via Russia, 25th January, 1-36 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 2 hours 4 minutes.

Via Red Sea, 25th January, 2-25 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 1 hour 5 minutes.

Latest dates from Continent of Europe.

Via Russia, 24th January, 8-45 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 1 hour 23 minutes.

Via Turkey, 23rd January, 5-30 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 42 hours 56 minutes.

Via Red Sea, 25th January, 12-15 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 1 hour 40 minutes.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 9 P.M. of the 24th to 9 P.M. of the 25th January 1872 is as follows:—

To Bombay.	Max.	Min.
From Calcutta	6 34	0 10
„ Kurrachee	2 48	0 4
„ Madras	2 12	0 22

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 25.

Johnstone, M.D., Acting Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, I. M. S., on duty, from Deolalee.

Teed, Lieutenant, Staff Corps, on leave, from Deolalee.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 25.

Bean, Captain, Staff Corps, on duty, to Deolalee.

Paske, Surgeon, Bengal Medical Department, to rejoin, to Mirzapore.

Wilson, Major, Staff Corps, on duty, to Poona.

Sheppee, Captain, Royal Artillery, on leave, to Matheran.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Bombay Government Gazette, Jan. 25.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Lt. G. R. B. Drummond, Genl. List, Bom. Inf., is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under the furlough regulations of 1868.

Lt.-Col. W. T. Chitty, Military Accountant, is allowed privilege leave for sixty days, from the 26th inst.

In consequence of the change in the date of the departure of the Overland Mail, the Standing Medical Committee at the Presidency will in future assemble every Monday and Thursday.

Surg.-Maj. Wyllie, Civil Surg., Ahmedabad, performed the duties of Depy. inspr. Genl. of Hosps., Indian Medl. Dept., N. Div. of the Army, from 23rd Nov. to 31st Dec. 1871.

The undermentioned officers, having completed twenty-six years' service, to be Lt.-Cols from the date specified, subject to H. M.'s approval :—

Staff Corps—Maj. Cyril Jackson Prescott and Maj. Edmund Lewin Taverner, 17th January 1872.

The following Extract (para. 2) of a Despatch from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, dated 28th Dec. 1871, No. 104, is published for general information :—

"2. The undermentioned Officers and Warrant Officer have been granted extensions of leave for the periods specified, viz. :—

Col. E. Thompson, 6 months.

Maj. C. E. Naylor, 6 months.

Maj. W. Dickinson, C.S.I., 6 months.

Maj. W. C. Lester, 3 months.

Capt. J. E. Brown, 6 months.

Capt. H. B. Edwards, 6 months.

Surg. Maj. F. G. Joynt, 3 months.

Conductor R. Barton, 6 months."

The following promotions in the Comst. Dept. are made, vice Capt. G. E. Harris, Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to have effect from the 27th Nov. 1871 :—

Maj. J. S. D. Bolton, Actg. Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to be confirmed in that grade.

Capt. F. P. Worthy, Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. third class, to be Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class, continuing to act as Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class.

Consequent on the return of Maj. E. L'Estrange, Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, from furlough, the following promotion and reversions are made in the Comst. Dept. from 16th Dec. 1871 :—

Maj. E. L'Estrange, Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to be Acting Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class.

Capt. R. F. Clarke, Actg. Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to revert to the grade of Actg. Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class.

Maj. C. Clements, Actg. Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class, to revert to the grade of Actg. Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class.

Maj. L. M. Davies, Actg. Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to revert to the grade, of Actg. Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class.

Maj. A. M. Shewell, actg. Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class, to revert to the grade of Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class.

Lt. T. Teed, Actg. Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to revert to the grade of Actg. Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class.

With reference to G. G. O. No. 785 of 1869, when passages to England are not available in a troop ship, Government vessel, or hired transport, for British officers entitled to the same at the public expense, passages shall be engaged for them in a steamer of the P. & O. Company under the contract between the British Government and that Company.

2. When a passage cannot be provided or engaged for an officer in the manner above described, he will be granted the average cost of a passage to England, which for the present will be the rate charged by the P. & O. Company for a contract passage, from which the Paymaster will recover messing contribution at the regulated rate for the probable number of days of the voyage.

3. To enable the Paymaster to do this the following certificate must be furnished to the officers concerned by the officer of the Qr. Mr. Genl's. Dept. at the Presidency :—

"Certificate.

No passage is available in a troop ship, Government vessel, or hired transport for (here insert the officer's name and corps), nor can one be engaged for him under the contract with the P. and O. Company.

Asst. Quarter Master General."

Consequent on the return of Capt. E. S. Ostrehan, Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, from furlough, the following promotion and reversions are made in the Comst. Dept. from 22nd Dec. 1871 :—

Capt. E. S. Ostrehan, Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class, to be Actg Depy Asst. Comsy Genl. second class.

Maj. R. H. M. Van Heythuysen, Actg. Depy. Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class, to revert to the grade of Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. first class.

Capt. J. Hibbert, Actg. Sub-Asst. Comsy Genl. first class, to revert to the grade of Actg. Sub-Asst. Comsy. Genl. second class.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Dhunjeebhaw Hormusjee, Acting Third Extra Assistant Political Agent in Kattywar, has been granted privilege leave of absence for two months.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Messrs. F. D. Melvill and H. M. Scott respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Judge and Session Judge of Ahmedabad on the 15th inst., before office hours; and on the same day Mr. Scott made the necessary declaration of office as required by (Bombay) Act VI. of 1864.

Mr. J. W. Walker assumed charge of his appointment as Actg. Asst. Judge and Session Judge of Ahmedabad on the 17th inst., and took the necessary declaration of office as required by Bombay Act VI. of 1864.

Mr. H. Bell, Asst. Judge of Ahmedabad, is granted privilege leave of absence for one month, from the 1st proximo, or such subsequent date as may be most convenient to him.

Capt. E. J. Wise, District Supt of Police, Canara, has passed an examination in the Canarese language, according to the test prescribed in Govt Notification of the 12th Aug 1863.

Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee received charge of his duties as Supt of the Common Jail of Bombay from Mr. C. Lake, on the 20th inst.

Mr. A. C. Watt, Actg Judge and Session Judge of Khandeish, is allowed privilege leave of absence for three months, from 9th March 1872.

Mr. H. J. Parsons, Actg Asst Judge of Ratnagherry, was in charge of the current duties of the office of Judge and Session Judge of Ratnagherry from 3rd to 10th Dec 1871, both days inclusive.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. W. Salmon, C. S., having returned to the Presidency on the 16th ult, the unexpired portion of the 12 months' furlough granted to him is cancelled.

Major T. Moore, V. C., is confirmed, with effect from the 1st inst, in his acting appointment of Inspr-in-Chief under the Cotton Frauds Act. He will continue to act also as Cotton Commissioner during the absence of Dr. Forbes.

Mr. W. Wilkins, Asst Settlement Officer, Left Bank Districts, Sind, has been appointed, with effect from 1st Dec last, to act as Depy Settlement Officer, Left Bank Indus Survey, during the absence of Capt Fisher, appointed to act as Settlement Officer, Right Bank Indus Survey.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. J. Q. Pigot, B. A., barrister-at-law, has been appointed Perry Professor of Jurisprudence.

Mr. T. R. Kirkham, Principal, Elphinstone High School, having resumed charge of his appointment on the 22nd ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him on the 26th May 1870 is cancelled.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Rev. C. Walford, M.A., having returned from furlough, is attached for duty at the Cathedral until further orders.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

With reference to Notification of the 17th inst., Lt. J. Brebner, late I. N., took charge of the office of Shipping Master on the 18th idem, before noon.

Mr. Walker, Depy. Shipping Master, acted as Shipping Master, and Mr. J. B. Hamjee acted as Depy. Shipping Master, from the 26th Dec. 1871 to the 17th Jan. 1872.

MADRAS ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Madras, 11th January 1872.

The following transfers of officers of H. A have been notified from the War Office :—

Col C. T. Du Plat, from 8th to 5th Brigade.

Col J. Connell, from 5th to 13th Brigade.

Ens James de Hoghton, 2nd Batn 10th Foot, having recently arrived From England, will proceed to join his Regt in Burmah, on duty, at the public expense.

The following removals are ordered :—

Asst Surg T. Symons from B-D Brig R H A, Bangalore, to Medl charge of Depot, Ramandroog, on the 28th Feb. vice Lowe, under orders to embark from Bombay on 12th March.

Staff Asst. Surg. R. W. Lowe from Medl charge Depot, Ramandroog to Bombay, when relieved, at public expense, to report himself to Inspr-Genl. Mosnat, C. B., by 10th March for orders.

Staff Asst. Surg. T. Kingston, from Depy. Inspr-Genl.'s Dept., Mysore Circle, to attached to B-D Brig. R. H. A., during Dr. Symon's absence.

Staff Asst. Surg. D. H. B. Anderson, from Depy. Inspr.-Genl.'s Dept, Mysore Circle, to Medical charge of Female Hospl. when ordered by Depy. Inspr.-Genl, Mysore Circle, vice McCrystal under orders for England.

Asst. Surg. E. McCrystal from Medl. charge Female Hospl., when relieved by Depy. Inspr.-Genl. Mysore Circle, to proceed to Bombay at public expense and report himself to Inspr.-Genl. Monat, C. B., by the 4th for embarkation on the 6th March.

Asst. Surg. A. L. Brown from Dept. P. M. O. British troops, Rangoon to proceed to Bombay at public expense and report himself to Inspr.-Genl. Monat, C.B., by the 4th for embarkation on the 6th March.

Staff Asst. Surg. W. Finlay, doing duty 45th Foot, is directed to proceed to Rangoon with the first party of the Regt. on arrival to accompany the two companies of the 45th Regt. to Thayetmyo, and remain there for duty.

The following postings are ordered :—

Capt. F. Weldon, S. C., to attached 29th N. I.

Capt. J. Gabbett, S. C., to attached 38th N. I.

The following order is confirmed :—

By the Officer Comdg. 30th N. I., directing Asst. Surg. C. Sibthorpe, to assume medical charge of the Regt. during the absence of Surg. Maj. J. G. Gibbs, on sick leave.

By the Officer Comdg., Southern District, directing Asst. Surg. F. Duckworth, M.D., 28th Regt. N. I., to assume medical charge of the 28th Regt. N. I., without prejudice to his own duties, vice Asst. Surg W. Macrae, M.B., relieved.

By the Officer Comdg. Mysore Div., directing Asst. Surg. H. D Cooke, M.B., Depy. Inspr.-Genl. L. M. D., Mysore Div and Ceded Districts, doing duty in the Garrison Hospl, to assume medical charge of the 27th N. I., vice Asst Surg. T. C. H. Spencer, removed.

Leave of absence :—

Staff Corps.—Col. F. H. Scott, doing general duty at Bangalore, for 6 months, from 1st Feb. 1872 or date of departure, Neilgherries, private affairs.

24th Foot.—Ens. G. S. Banister, 2nd Batn., from 20th Dec 1871, or date of departure, Bombay s. c., to appear before a medical board.

Staff Corps—Capt. J. T. M. Armstrong from 15th Dec. 1871 or date of departure for one month, preparatory to embarking for Europe on the furlough granted in G. O. G. 9th Jan. 1872.

Medl. Dept.—Staff Asst. Surg F. T. McCarthy, for two months, from 12th Jan. 1872, or date of departure, Madras s. c.

Intimation has been received from the War Office of the transfer of Lt. H. V. Hunt, from the 6th to the 14th Brig. R. A.

Lt. (Brev. Capt) F. Smalley, Qr. Mr. 19th N. ., is permitted as a special case to retain his appointment on promotion to Captain.

The following removals and appointments are ordered :—

Lt.-Col. A. Drury, Staff Corps, to Wing Officer 34th L. I.

Maj. H. E. Eyres, from Offg. Wing Officer 34th L. I. to Genl. duty, Mangalore—On relief by Lt.-Col. Drury.

The Field Marshal Comdg.-in-C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence to Capt. (Local Maj.) C. Raikes, 28th Brig. R. A., from 30th Nov. 1871 to 29th May 1872, on the recommendation of a medical board.

Capt. R. Whigham, 10th Lancers, will proceed to Wellington on duty at the public expense, and do duty at the Convalescent Depot until further orders.

Capt. J. Stevenson, 1st Batn. 21st Foot, will proceed to rejoin his Regt. on being relieved by Capt. Whigham.

The following orders are confirmed :—

By the Officer Comdg. 10th N. I., appointing Capt. C. McInroy to officiate as Wing Officer, without prejudice to his duties as Offg. Adjt., vice Maj Smithers proceeding on leave to Europe.

By the Officer Comdg. Nagpore Force, directing Col. T. Raikes, C. B., to assume Comd. of the Station, vice Brigr-Genl. Rest, proceeding on a tour of inspection to Raipore.

By the Officer Comdg. Malabar and Canara, appointing Maj. C. M. White, Staff Corps, to act as Brig. Maj. until further orders from the 1st prox. or date of Maj. Standen's departure from Cannanore.

By the Officer Comdg. 44th Regt, appointing Lt. Churchill, Asst. Instr. of Musketry.

By the Officer Comdg. Palamcottah, appointing Lt. M. H. Wratislaw, Station Staff Officer, vice Capt. D. Monro, proceeding on sick leave to Europe.

By the Officer Comdg. 22nd N. I., appointing Lt. and Brev. Capt. H. R. Shelley to officiate as 1st Wing Sub., without prejudice to his duties as Offg. Qr. Mr., vice Lt. Wratislaw relieved.

By the Officer Commanding Visianagram, appointing Capt. R. D. Thorpe, Station Staff Officer, Vizianagram, vice Captain Armstrong, proceeded on sick leave.

POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail closes.	After packet.
United Kingdom	Jan. 29	2 P.M.	2 P.M.
Kurrachee	Jan. 29	11 A.M.	12 A.M
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	Feb. 5	11 A.M.	12 A.M.
China	Jan. 30	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Australia	Feb. 13	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Mauritius, Reunion, &c.	Jan. 2	2 P.M.	3 P.M.

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Monday	Jan. 29	Friday		July 19
„	Feb. 5	„		„ 26
„	„ 12	„		Aug. 2
„	„ 19	„		„ 9
„	„ 26	„		„ 16
„	Mar. 4	„		„ 23
„	„ 11	„		„ 30
„	„ 18	„		Sept. 6
„	„ 25	„		„ 13
„	Apr. 1	„		„ 20
„	„ 8	„		„ 30
„	„ 15	Monday		Oct. 7
„	„ 22	„		„ 14
„	„ 29	„		„ 21
„	May 6	„		„ 28
„	„ 13	„		Nov. 4
„	„ 20	„		„ 11
„	„ 27	„		„ 18
Friday	Jun. 7	„		„ 25
„	„ 14	„		Dec. 2
„	„ 21	„		„ 9
„	„ 28	„		„ 23
„	July 5	„		„ 30
„	„ 12	„		

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

BASEVI—January 13th, at Jacobabad, the wife of Captain C. E. Basevi, R.A., of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

ATKINSON—January 18th, at Jullunder, the wife of Supervisor C. Atkinson, D. P. W., of a daughter.

HODDING—January 17th, at Mhow, the wife of Major G. C. Hodding, Madras Staff Corps, of a son.

HOME—January 20th, at Sahranpoor, the wife of Captain F. J. Home, R. E., of a daughter.

JAMES—January 22nd, at Calcutta, the wife of Mr. E. R. James, of a daughter.

KINLOCH—January 18th, at Rawul Pindee, the wife of Captain Kinloch, 60th Rifles, of a son.

SKIPWITH—January 6th, at Nagpore, Central Provinces, the wife of Captain G. T. Skipwith, Royal Engineers, of a daughter.

TOMB—January 22nd, at Arrah, Shahabad, Lady Tombs, of a daughter.

TWEMLOW—January 11th, at Moulmein, the wife of Mr. W. Twemlow, Collector of Customs, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

URQUHART—WRIGHT—January 18th, at St. Peter's, Fort William, Calcutta, Frederick Urquhart, Royal Engineers, to Sarah Wright, widow of the late H. Wright, Bengal Staff Corps.

DEATHS.

BARRETT—January 18th, at Morara, of typhoid fever, Samuel Gooden Barrett, of Calibby Manjerabad, third son of J. G. Barrett, Esq., of Highington House, 10, Dorham; also at the same place on the same date, Coventry Barrett, fourth son of above.

CHAPPLE—January 20th, at Ekbalpore Road, Kidderpore, Calcutta, Isabella Susan, daughter of Mr. R. Chapple, aged 1 year 9 months.

The *Bombay Government Gazette* contains the following Notifications :—

Sanction to the grant of a Pension of £100 per annum to Mrs. Mary Ann Hall, widow of the late Mr. Thomas Hall, Superintendent of Telegraphs.

Sanction to the grant of a Pension of £50

is to preserve his communications, and if beaten to retire by Kalka and Ookler across the river Jumna to the town of Ghazeeabad.

The following is the strength of the forces:—

UNDER GENERAL TOMBS.

Cavalry.	Artillery.
4th Hussars.	D-D Troop.
1st Bengal Cavalry.	E 19th Field Battery.
Central India Horse.	F-19th do.

Infantry.

65th and 105th Foot, 17th, 20th, 35th, 32nd, and 3rd Goorkhas.

UNDER GENERAL McMURDO.

Cavalry.	Artillery.
11th Hussars.	E F Troop.
6th Bengal Cavalry.	F-16th Field Battery.
8th Bengal Cavalry.	D-16th do.
17th Bengal Cavalry.	D-19th do.

Infantry.

5th Foot, 92nd Highlanders, 109th Foot, and 3rd, 10th, 14th, 40th, and 45th Native Infantry.

Colonel Richardson, 9th B.C., has been appointed to command the Cavalry Brigade, 1st Division.

Lieutenant J. V. V. Baker, R.A., has been appointed Extra A. D. C. to the Commander-in-Chief temporarily.

Colonel G. V. Johnson, R.A., has been appointed to A Brigade R. A., but is permitted, at his own request to retain command of the Royal Artillery with the Camp of Exercise, until the breaking up of the Camp.

Capt. and Br. Lt.-Col. J. McC. Campbell, R.A., has been appointed to the command of 6-13 R. A, and Lt.-Col. and Br. Col. H. A. Smyth, 8th Brigade, to command the R. A., 2nd Division, Camp of Exercise.

NEWS-LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KURRACHEE, 21st JANUARY.

I scarcely know what to write to you about, for news is a scarce commodity here just now, and even our locals have not an item worth "cribbing." But I dreamt last night that you had realized Swift's beatitude —"Blessed is he that expecteth not much, for he shall not be disappointed."

For some time past we have been suffering greatly from the paucity of domestic servants in the place, and the consequent difficulty of securing the services of honest and respectable men to conduct the duties of the *cuisine* and other household departments. The wages demanded are extravagantly high. But that is not the worst of the matter. The servants engaged are generally men of indifferent character; in fact, some have no character at all; and the rascals take every opportunity they can to plunder their employers. Oftentimes, the latter are obliged to wink at and tolerate malpractices, which, under other circumstances, wouldn't, on any account, be permitted, it being argued that it is better to have a bad servant than have no servant at all, and to go farther would be but to fare worse. Matters, however, need not be nearly so bad as they are, if all the people in the station would only combine to assist themselves. Let them refuse to engage any man who has not a written character to produce, and when one is produced, make a reference, with the view of ascertaining that it is genuine, and then secure it as a guarantee for good behaviour. If this be done by all there will soon be an end to the present difficulties, and men of ill-repute would never be able to get admittance into our houses. The precaution, you know, is invariably taken at home, as it costs so very little trouble I really cannot see what impediment there is to its being followed out all over India generally. Of course, it can't possibly have the effect of increasing the number of servants, it stands to reason that when menials find it impossible to get service, unless they preserve their reputations untarnished, they would on their own account strive to do so. What we want here in Kurrachee is a registry office to which people could apply for domestics when in need of them. It might be under the supervision of our respected Cantonment Magistrate, Major Thoyts, and supported by servants who get situations through its medium paying a moiety of their first wages to the registrar. Whenever a servant is convicted of roguery, or other disqualifying act, the magistrate might very properly withhold the person's credentials; but as fair play is bonny play, masters should not have it in their power to injure servants by either withholding or destroying certificates.

An item of news comes to me from Hyderabad, which may perhaps be not altogether uninteresting to those who dabble in law matters. It appears that lately a Government pleader supported an application by a guardian for permission to sell the landed property of his ward, on the score of its being unremunerative. The Court remarked that it was strange that the guardian could not manage the lands at a profit, when other parties were willing to offer a good sum for the same, and expressed its regret that while the law enjoined it to stand *in loco parentis* to the minor, it had not the means of guarding the minor's interests, however much it was inclined so to do. Now in this case, it seems to me, although I do not profess to be learned in the law, that the Government pleader should have opposed an application of this nature, and not supported it. The Court cannot undertake the duties of a pleader by entering into discussion with the counsel supporting the application. And therefore, when it saw that the minor's interests were not represented in the case under notice, it ought to have informed the Government pleader that he was the proper person to have undertaken that duty. It is for the Court to carry out the provisions of the law in a manner which it may deem expedient. If the law frames a certain rule, it contemplates certain ways for carrying that rule out, and it is for the Judge to find out those *ways and means* whereby to give the law effect, instead of being simply content with expressing his regret at his supposed inability.

What on earth makes the Executive Engineer think that Mr. Cramer, lately appointed to the Nizam's State Railway, has been spirited away from Bombay to Kurrachee? We have a gentleman bearing the same name here, but he has as much to do with the Mr. Cramer referred to, as he has with the man in the moon! *Our* Mr. Cramer has nothing to do with the Nizam's dominions, or the railway there. He belongs to the Indo-European Telegraph Department, and I only met him the other day at the Mulleer, quite innocent of all the *hubbub* raised about him. Would you believe it, a telegram was actually sent the other day, by the police authorities here, to Captain Crawford at Hyderabad, to seize *our* Mr. Cramer, and bring him hither, whether he liked it or not.

The *crim. con.* case in Upper Sind has been postponed to March next. The prosecutor, Mr. Peters, is doing his best to collect evidence to demolish the young man, whom he believes to have robbed him of his honour.

PANCHGUNNY SCHOOL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In a Bombay paper of the 20th instant, appeared a letter relative to the Panchgunny School lately started, and, after administering a little "blarney" to the Head Master, proceeds to state that the rates charged are too high, which evidently shows that the writer is not entirely aware of the ruling prices at Panchgunny which have increased somewhat of late years. The terms for boarders under 15 years are Rs. 40 per mensem, which can hardly by any means be considered high, as it includes school fees, board and washing. Moreover, growing lads of 7 years and upwards are likely to have a far better appetite in the hills than in the plains. The writer proceeds to state that Rs. 20 to Rs. 30 would be a sufficient rate for a school at Panchgunny. Now if he can satisfactorily prove that even the latter sum would adequately cover school fees, board, and washing, the Diocesan Board, as well as parents, would be heartily glad to hear of it. As soon as the school obtains a sufficiency of scholars, no doubt, the Diocesan Board might be induced either to lower the terms, or form two classes; the one at a higher rate under the head master, the other at a lower under an assistant. At present, there are seven boarders and day scholars at the school, but, as others are coming at the end of this month, there is little doubt but that during next month there will be at least 15 scholars in attendance (in fact, altogether 15 names have already been obtained), which can hardly be considered a bad beginning, seeing that the school only opened on the 8th. I have heard that school masters at Poona and Bombay (one in particular) are getting annoyed at the idea of their scholars leaving them; and use every argument to prevent parents taking away their children, which prevailed in the case of a weak-minded individual who had intentions of sending his children to the Panchgunny School. Children can go from Poona to Panchgunny at all seasons of the year (even including the monsoon) without any difficulty whatever, as the road is in excellent order; moreover, the bridge over the river at "Kaee" has been completed, and that over the river at Sherwall will be so before the monsoon.

The Jungles. DECCANEE.

A certain witness, in an action for assault and battery, mixed things up considerably in giving his account of the affair. After relating how Dennis came to him and struck him, he proceeded; "So, yer honour, I just backed at him, and wiped his jaw. Just then his dog came along, and hit him again." "Hit the dog?" "No, yer honour, hit Dennis. And then I up wid a stun and throwed it at him, and it rolled him over and over." "Threw a stone at Dennis?" "At the dog, yer honour; and he got up and hit me again." "The dog?" "No; Dennis. And whin that he stuck his tail betwixt his legs and ran off." "Dennis?" "No; the dog. And when he came back at me, he got me down and pounded me, yer honour." "The dog came back at you?" "No; Dennis, yer honour, and he isn't hurt any at all." "Who isn't hurt?" "The dog, yer honour."

THE DESPATCH OF THE MAIL ON MONDAY'S.

From F. R. HOGG, Esquire, Offg. Director-General of the Post Offices of India, to the SECRETARY to the CHAMBER of COMMERCE, Bombay.

Calcutta, 8th January 1872.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th December, relative to the Monday evening despatch from Bombay of the outward Overland Mail, and in reply to observe as follows.

2. The Chamber urge that their assent to the measure in 1870 affords no argument against their present dissent, notwithstanding that the circumstances have not since altered and that the arguments now adduced might equally have been brought forward when the question was discussed more than a year ago. Were this view admitted the matter could never be regarded as finally settled, for there would be no guarantee against a subsequent change of opinion on the part of the Chamber even if their present demand was satisfied. It will be in the memory of the Chamber that the present arrangements had their origin in the violent exception raised by them in April 1870, to a Sunday morning despatch from Bombay; and this is, I think, a further reason for not re-opening a question which, after much discussion both in this country and at home, has now been disposed of.

3. I would wish, however, here to notice the additional reasons advanced by the Chamber in support of their principal ground of exception, viz, the practical conversion of Sunday into a working day for the mercantile community of Bombay. It is stated that all mail steamers carry large cargoes of produce, which unavoidably causes "a great pressure of work just at the close in order to complete the shipments and have the costs financed for the mail going by the steamers which also carry the goods"; and it is argued that "if the mail close on Monday, at 2 P.M., all the Banks will refuse bills after 12 noon," and that consequently the merchants "must either work on Sunday to get through their business or leave it for the following mail." I think I am right in assuming that the proportion of produce carried by the mail contract steamers is insignificant in comparison with that sent by other steam-ships. But whether this assumption be correct or not, I would point out that, regarding Sunday as a *dies non*, the Bombay community will have the same number of working hours under the new time-table as they had under the former service. When the steamers left Bombay on Saturday at 5½ P.M., the Peninsular and Oriental Company received cargo up to the evening of Friday, and now that the steamers will start at 5½ P.M. on Monday, cargo will not be taken after Saturday evening. The change of day is therefore merely a transfer of the former working hours from Saturday to Monday. It is true that it will now be possible to work on Sunday for the outgoing mail, but Sunday labour will not be compulsory, and the merchants who refuse to attend to business matters on the Sabbath will not, it seems to me, compete at a disadvantage with the firms who disregard the day of rest. The question resolves itself into a simple matter of arrangement.

4. Great stress is further laid on the market reports furnished by the majority of Bombay merchants to their correspondents in Europe every week, and which it is alleged must now be prepared on Sunday. In these days of constant communication by telegraph I do not understand how such documents can be used for intelligence. They are useful doubtless for record and reference, but it can scarcely be conceived that with information available of three weeks later date, the European merchant would ever refer to the Bombay market reports should take not be prepared on the Saturday.

5. When writing my letter from Nagpore of the 26th December I was not aware of an immediately impending change in the time-table of the Madras Railway Company—a change which will shorten the distance between Madras and Bombay by about 4½ hours, and the practical effect of which will be to advance the Madras Overland Mail despatch to Sunday afternoon—if in accordance with your proposal the departure of the steamer from Bombay is postponed to Tuesday evening. This is a result which, after their recently expressed opinions in regard to Sunday labour, will, I am confident, be regarded with disfavour by the Bombay Chamber of Commerce.

6. I am far from denying the extreme inconvenience to any mercantile community of the Monday afternoon closing of an important weekly mail, and personally deplore the necessity which imposes this inconvenience on Bombay. The alternative suggested by your Chamber would not only be very inconvenient to Calcutta, but, as already shown, would entail a Sunday afternoon despatch from Madras. Having regard to these circumstances I cannot but trust that your Chamber will withdraw their objections and accept the Monday afternoon despatch of the steamer as the arrangement most compatible with the general mercantile interests of the three Presidency towns.—I have, &c.,

F. R. HOGG,
Offg. Director General of the Post Offices of India.

Bombay Chamber of Commerce, 23rd January 1872.

F. R. Hogg Esquire, Officiating Director General of the Post Offices of India, Calcutta.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 4,004, dated 8th instant, in answer to the letter from the Chamber dated 30th ultimo, regarding the serious inconveniences to Bombay of the new mail arrangements, which require the despatch of the mail steamer from this port on Monday evening.

2. In reply I am directed by the committee to point out that it is not of much importance to discuss, whether the arguments for a change to Tuesday would have been better adduced in October 1870, when the scheme was first proposed, rather than now when it is in force and its extreme inconvenience already begins to be felt. The real points at issue are three:—(1) are the objections taken to the new arrangement on the part of the mercantile community of Bombay of so serious a character as to require the present plan to be changed for a Tuesday's despatch? and (2) can that change be accomplished without much inconvenience to the other Presidency towns? and both points, the committee are of opinion, may be confidently answered in the affirmative.

3. At the same time I am to ask you to bear in mind, that the Chamber did not "assent" to the proposal made in 1870, though the committee no doubt had to submit to what they felt at the time they could not alter.

4. In reference, however, to your remark that "circumstances have not since altered," I have to call your attention to what was briefly pointed out in my letter of 13th December, that not only have circumstances altered, but they may be said to be in all respects the opposite of what they were in October 1870, when the new arrangement was first proposed.

5. It will no doubt be in your recollection that at that time, not only was the Mont Cenis tunnel incomplete, but a large part of France was occupied by German troops, the old and long-established, arrangements for the transmission of the mail through France had utterly broken down, a new route through Germany had to be organised, and only within the last few months was it again made possible that the old route through France would be resumed.

6. It was the uncertainty which this state of things engendered that weighed with the committee in not objecting more strongly to a proposal which then offered but little probability of carrying out when submitted for consideration some fifteen months ago.

7. You remark, in regard to the change now proposed on behalf of the mercantile community of Bombay, that there "would be no guarantee against a sub equent change of opinion on the part of the Chamber, even if their present demand were satisfied."

8. On this point I have to observe, that in the first place there has been no change of opinion, as on the first announcement of the present arrangement it was stated that it would be very inconvenient, and in the next place it would be unreasonable to expect acquiescence in the continuance of an arrangement which works so unfairly for one of the principal bodies affected thereby, especially when that arrangement may be altered so as to give only a minimum of inconvenience to all interests concerned.

9. You further remark "that it will be in the memory of the Chamber that the present arrangements had their origin in the violent exception raised by them in April 1870 to a Sunday morning despatch from Bombay."

10. In this statement the committee are unable to concur; they are of opinion that the change in arrangements has without doubt been caused by the necessity for an acceleration of the mail, in the face of improved communication both in India and Europe, permitting its receipt both here and in England in a shorter time than that fixed by the London Post Office contract with the P. and O. Company in 1867.

11. The exception taken by the Chamber to the Sunday morning despatch of the mail in April 1870 was practically admitted by the Director General to be a very proper exception, seeing he made every exertion to have the arrangement complained of changed; and the Chamber was not slow to recognize thankfully his services to the mercantile community of Bombay, in getting the railway arrangements so timed as to permit of a return to a Saturday afternoon despatch of the mail as before.

12. In reference to your remarks on the additional reasons advanced by the Chamber in support of their principal ground of exception, namely, the practical conversion of Sunday into a working day, I must point out some of the misapprehensions which these show, on matters that can only be fully understood by those practically conversant with Bombay business.

13. You observe:—"that regarding Sunday as a *dies non*, the Bombay community will have the same number of working hours under the new time-table as they had under the former service."

14. But to regard Sunday as a *dies non*, when that day is made to precede mail day, is exactly what the circumstances of Bombay trade will not enable the merchants and bankers to do.

15. There is no difficulty whatever in regarding and making Sunday a *dies non* when that day follows mail day, or by two, or three days after, as the case may be; the evil we complain of is, the making that day intervene and immediately precede the despatch of the mail in the very thick of business, and, by so intervening, making it a necessity to work on that day to get the business for the mail completed.

16. You will therefore readily understand that though the Bombay community will have the same number of working days as before, they entirely object to having the seven days of the week made working days, which is unfortunately the position in which the new arrangements will place them, if not promptly altered.

17. Though the quantity of produce carried by the mail steamers is no doubt small, compared with other available means, it is certainly not insignificant. Much larger steamers are now put on the line by the P. and O. Company, some of which take 2,500 tons of cargo, and the next two months will be taken by steamers of this carrying capacity.

18. This point however is not important. What is important to be borne in mind is, the enormous quantity of produce steadily shipped by other steamers and ships, and the impossibility of getting all documents and advices of weekly shipments completed for despatch by the mail without working on Sunday.

19. In reference to the remarks in my letter of 30th ultimo on the subject of the preparation of market reports, you observe:—"in these days of constant communication by telegraph I do not understand how such documents can be used for intelligence." This remark would apply with equal point to a large part of business correspondence, business letters printed for the common convenience of the merchants and their correspondents, and their prompt receipt by those for whom they are intended is second only in importance to letters dealing with actual business transactions.

21. The telegraph does much; but it does not do everything, either in matters of business or public affairs; and while things remain as they are, there is good reason why these repositories of commercial information should continue to give the latest intelligence available by every mail.

22. In the circumstances already so fully placed before you, the committee cannot see how you could expect the mercantile community of Bombay to withdraw their objection to an arrangement that will entail upon them so much hardship and inconvenience.

23. To the proposal for a Tuesday evening despatch you offer no objection, but the statement that what we propose "would not only be very inconvenient to Calcutta, but would, as already shown, entail a Sunday afternoon despatch from Madras."

24. As regards Calcutta, the committee are unable to consider that a Saturday night despatch can be "very inconvenient" to the mercantile community of that place.

25. They would only be in pretty much the same position as Bombay has been for the last three years, and we never complained of the arrangement, for we knew it was the best the Director General had it in his power to make for us.

26. The committee cannot attach importance to the distinction you formerly drew between a Saturday afternoon and a Saturday night despatch. It is a distinction with a difference too slight to be of consequence.

27. Of course there will always be some persons willing to avail of the mail to the latest moment that a letter can be posted, but otherwise the committee have good reason to believe that there will be no more an inconvenience to the mercantile community of Calcutta generally to close their mail on Saturday at two or three o'clock in the afternoon than it has been hitherto for Bombay to do so at the latter hour.

28. Much was made of a half Saturday holiday for Calcutta, but the present arrangement deprives Bombay not only of any Saturday half holiday but makes Sunday a working day besides.

29. In reference to Madras, the mercantile community of Bombay would deeply regret asking for any change of arrangements that would be seriously inconvenient to their brethren in the Southern Presidency town, but from the difference in circumstances, and in the condition of business in the two places, the committee have reason to believe that the Madras merchants can close their mail on the afternoon of Saturday without being put to much inconvenience.

30. You will no doubt have observed that late by the Indian mail has been delivered on Friday on one occasion, and two or three times on a Saturday, neither of which days can be considered convenient for the London merchants. By despatching the Indian mail from Bombay on Tuesday evening, an arrangement will be made which will answer well for England, and give little inconvenience to any of the Presidency towns in India.

31. The committee therefore earnestly hope you will without further discussion give this question your immediate favourable consideration, with a view to meeting the wishes of the mercantile community of this place with the least possible delay.—I have, &c.,

JAMES TAYLOR, Secretary.

BOMBAY.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.—Mr. Manning, the Chief Engineer of the G. I. P. Railway, left Bombay on Tuesday to inspect the Jubbulpore line.

THEFT.—A Maratha named Gopal Narayen was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Cooper to four months' rigorous imprisonment for stealing a turban belonging to one Mohunram Bhickajee.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ACT.—Thirty native prostitutes were charged before Mr. Connon yesterday, with having failed to present themselves for medical examination, and were each fined five rupees.

DEPUTY DEWAN TO THE GAEKWAR.—We learn that on Monday a grand Durbar was held at Baroda, when a surpao was presented to Bulwuntrao Rahookur, who has been appointed Deputy Dewan to H. H. Mulharao.

PERSIAN PARSEES.—As the Chowpatty Dhurumshalla is being repaired the Persian Parsees now residing there will be removed temporarily to Manockjee Shett's quarters, in the Fort, from the 1st February.

INQUEST.—An inquest was held on Wednesday on the body of a Hindoo boy, aged about two years, and named Umbajee Rajeena, who had been crushed under the axle of a stone wheel. The enquiry was adjourned till to-morrow.

DEATH FROM BURNING.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday at Upper Mahim concerning the death of a Hindoo lad, aged about three years, named Wamon Janardhun. The jury came to the conclusion that the boy's death was caused by his having been accidentally scalded.

SUSPECTED OF THEFT.—At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday two Mussulmans, named Emam Meera and Beran Emam, were charged with having in their possession a few pieces of wearing apparel, reasonably suspected of being stolen. They were sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

BROACHING CARGO.—John Gillespie, a seaman of the ship Ardgowan, was charged before the Senior Magistrate yesterday with embezzling stores or cargo of the ship, of the value of Rs. 44. Prisoner was convicted, and ordered to forfeit £4-9 out of his wages, and to undergo two weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Dr. Hewlett held an inquest on Wednesday at Worlee on the body of one Raghoo Morojee, a labourer, aged about fifty years. The jury found that the man had died in consequence of injuries received by a portion of a sand-stone quarry in which he was working accidentally falling upon him.

BOMBAY MECHANICS' INSTITUTION.—It will be remembered that last year the local Government refused to grant Rs. 300, which they used to pay to the Bombay Mechanics' Institution on account of the lectures delivered in connection with the institution. We now learn that the Government have issued an order to renew the grant.

STATEMENT OF SILVER BALANCE IN THE MINT.—Value of silver in the Mint on the morning of the 15th January 1872, Rs. 87,02,487. Add silver received during the week, Rs. 22,90,755—total, Rs. 1,09,93,242. There are in addition 32,12,894 rupees' worth of silver bullion belonging to private individuals deposited in the Mint vaults, and awaiting assay.

A NEW BARRISTER-AT-LAW SWORN IN.—Yesterday, at the High Court, before Chief Justice Westropp and Sir Charles Sargent, William Ellerker Hurt, B.A., made oath that he would practise faithfully the duties of an Advocate of the High Court of Bombay, and on the motion of Mr. Anstey, with consent of the full bar, he was admitted accordingly.

NAWAB OF CAMBAY—The *Sunsher Bahadur* regrets to find that the principality of Cambay is retrograding, and that mismanagement and tyranny are spreading wide and abroad. The Nawab, it says, seldom or never comes out of the zenana, and everything is left to the pleasure and mercy of his karbharees, who tyrannize over and plunder the ryots.

PLEADERS.—The High Court of Judicature have issued sunnuds to the undermentioned persons, authorising them to practise as pleaders in the districts set forth against their names:—Mr. Gungadhar Vithal Gupte, Tauna; Mr. Shewshunkar Govindram, Vakil, High Court, Tauna and Rutnagherry; Mr. Vishnu Ghanashum, Vakil, High Court, Sattara.

A PARSEE GIFT TO ENGLAND IN HONOUR OF THE RECOVERY OF THE PRINCE OF WALES.—The *Bombay Summachar* hears that Mr. Cowasjee Jehanghier Readymoney, C.S.I., has forwarded Rs. 3,000 to England to be distributed among religious and charitable institutions as a token of thanksgiving for the restoration to health of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

ALIMONY.—At the Small Causes Court on Wednesday, before Judge Spencer, a Parsee woman named Heerabaee, widow of the late Nowrojee Rustomjee Metkee, sued her son, Dadabhoy Nowrojee Bengally, to recover twelve rupees, being the amount due for her maintenance. Defendant did not appear, and the Court entered a verdict for plaintiff for the amount claimed.

BEWARE OF THE DOG!—At the Fort Police Court yesterday the Senior Magistrate complained of nocturnal visits some litigious Bunnias were in the habit of making to him at his residence; and for their information as well as others similarly disposed he mentioned that during the last night or two he had entertained a large and ferocious dog. He considered this would be a sufficient warning.

THE MUNICIPALITY.—The *Vazdaa Parast* disapproves of the reduction of pay of the Municipal collectors. It points out that by Mr. Hope reducing the pay of the collectors from Rs. 30 to Rs. 10, and paying them one anna and a half for every bill on which they may recover the money, will give them not more than Rs. 20 per month. Of this sum they have to pay Rs. 84 every year to the Company which stands security for them, and thus actually they will receive only Rs. 13 per month.

THE FIRE AT MAZAGON DOCKYARD.—We believe that the damage done by the recent fire in the P. and O. Co.'s Dockyard at Mazagon will not be more than £1,700, and this is fully covered by insurance. An "Eye-witness" writes to us regarding our statement of the number of men who were injured, and we are sorry to learn that in addition to those we mentioned the chief officer of the s.s. Australia was severely burned about the face when standing on one of the apparently empty tins of ether directing a branch of the hose.

BAZAAR AT THE MONEY INSTITUTION.—A Bazaar was held yesterday, and will be continued to-day and to-morrow, at the Robert Money Institution, the proceeds of the sales at which are to be given in aid partly of the Zenana Mission and partly of the Association for Female Education in India. The articles exhibited consist of a great variety of cushions, counterpanes, embroidery, children's clothing, toys, scrap-books, &c., and are well deserving the attention of the charitably disposed. The attendance last evening was pretty satisfactory. During the day but little business was done.

THE NATIONAL FINANCIAL OF INDIA.—At the High Court yesterday, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Bayley, Mr. Marriott, instructed by Messrs. Rimington, Hore, and Langley, on behalf of some contributories of the National Financial of India, appeared to argue against a summons taken out some days ago by Mr. T. F. Punnett, the official liquidator, requiring the contributories to show cause why a call of Rs. 40 per share should not be made upon them. Mr. Scoble, instructed by Messrs. Keir, Prescot and Winter, on behalf of the liquidator, appeared in support of the summons. His Lordship made an order that a further call of Rs. 40 per share should be paid by the contributories.

THE RANEE OF THE LATE GAEKWAR.—With reference to the application to Government by the Ranee of the late Gaekwar, the *Jami-Jamshed* says—"We do not think that the Government will pay any attention to the application which the Ranee of the late Gaekwar has made about the increase of her pension. From the beginning the Ranee entertained bad feeling to H. H. Mulharao, but all her complaints about the Maharaja have turned out groundless. She will not, therefore, be entitled to more than her usual pension, namely, Rs. 50,000 per annum. It rests entirely with H. H. whether to give her an increased pension or not; and as the Ranee did not obey his orders, the Government will not on any grounds interfere to cause an increased pension to be given to her."

HOW MANY MEN DOES IT TAKE TO KNOCK OFF A HINDOO'S PUGGAREE?—At the Fort Police Court yesterday an ancient Hindoo appeared before the Senior Magistrate and applied for a warrant against "five or seven men," who had unitedly attacked him near the Baboola Tank Road with the effect of removing his puggaree. Mr. Connon thought it would scarcely take so many men to knock off the old gentleman's puggaree, and dismissed him. He walked sadly out of Court, but about ten minutes afterwards returned, looking happier, and said he would be content with a summons against only two men. The Senior Magistrate, however, thought even two men were too many to knock off a puggaree, and once more the old Hindoo walked out of Court, probably wondering if he would have any more success if he brought the number down to one.

CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF SUBORDINATE JUDGE AND VAKEELS.—The following candidates for the offices of Subordinate Judge and of Vakeel of the High Court, Appellate Side, have been admitted, by order of the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges, to the examination to be held in the High Court House, Mazagon, on the 11th March 1872:—Messrs. Anuntajee Gungadhar Khote, Ardeseer Bazonjee, Atmaram Seetaram Agaskar, Babu Ramchandra, Balabhai Kevaldass, Balaji Mahadev Deodhar, Dinkar Gangadhar Bhutt, Dwarkanath Appajee, Eduljee Kawasjee Mussaney, Ganesh Dadajee Deshmookh, Ganesh Sadashiv Dessi, W. R. Hamilton, W. S. Howell, Harisookhram Manakram Mehta, Jayasatyabodhrao Tirmalrao, Jehangirjee Bezonjee, Kallabhai Lalloobhai, Merwanjee Framjee, Madhoovachram Balvachram, Narayan Moreshwar Joge, Prabhakar Vithal Gooptey, Ramchandra Annajee Savnoor, Rungrav Trimbak Meerikar, Sakharam Ramchandra Bhopey, Sumookhram Navnidhrai Hora, Syed Lall wullud Syed Bapoo, Venkutrao Ramchandra, and Vithal Bapujee Godboley.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 23rd January, was 391, being 23 more than in the preceding week, 69 more than the total of the week ending 24th January 1871, and 51 more than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week, 236 births were reported in the different districts of the city.

Section or Sub-Section.	Population by Census of 1866.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Cholera.	Nervous System.	Respiratory System.	Digestive System.	Accidents & Violence.	Total (including cases not specified below).	Total Deaths (calculated in the week each year of 1871-here).
Colaba	19,161	...	6	...	1	...	1	...	7	9
Fort, Southern	2,455	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort, Northern	39,258	...	2	...	2	1	1	...	10	12
Esplanade	7,869	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10
Market	75,402	...	9	...	5	1	...	...	20	14
Mandvee	15,156	...	1	...	0	1	...	...	2	14
Chuckla	41,442	...	8	...	1	...	...	...	12	6
Oomburkharee	63,020	3	16	...	2	3	...	...	24	20
Dongree	60,252	2	7	...	...	3	...	...	14	8
Dhobeetalao	71,790	...	11	...	3	...	2	...	21	9
Pinnuswaree	22,529	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	5	3
Bhoideewar	50,258	...	11	...	3	2	...	...	20	22
Kharatalao	23,451	...	8	...	...	4	2	...	23	13
Koombarwara	23,985	2	3	...	3	...	1	...	12	14
Khetwaree	29,171	3	10	...	1	1	...	...	18	3
Girgaum	21,565	...	5	...	1	...	1	...	10	9
Chaupatee	6,194	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	4
Walkeshwur	10,094	...	4	...	...	2	...	...	12	4
Mahaluxmee	9,144	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	3
Mazagon	21,784	...	9	...	1	2	2	...	11	5
Darwaree	9,402	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	6	2
Kamatheepoora	81,676	2	25	...	5	8	5	1	61	29
Parel	7,982	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	7	6
Sewree	8,013	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sion	12,078	...	2	...	1	4	...	...	10	8
Mahim	19,436	1	4	...	1	2	1	...	10	4
Worlee	10,211	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	8	7
Harbour	32,582	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	4	...
Non-Resident and Unknown	...	1	3	...	1	1	...	...	24	...
Bombay	816,562	15	161	1	35	31	13	3	391	236
Mean of the corresponding weeks in the preceding 5 years.		13	119	1	8	32	14	4	341	197

The following statement shows the number of deaths in the different races or castes:—

Race or Caste.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Cholera.	Nervous System.	Respiratory System.	Digestive System.	Accidents and Violence.	Total (including cases not specified here).	Total Deaths (calculated for the year of 1871).
Boodhist—Jain, &c	...	8	...	3	1	2	...	18	8
Brahmin	...	4	1	2	...	...	...	9	5
Lingaet	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Hindu	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	4	4
Hindoo of other Caste.	10	94	...	18	10	17	1	187	123
Hindoo out-caste	1	12	...	4	2	...	...	22	15
Mussulman	3	33	...	4	15	10	1	92	54
Parsee	1	1	...	1	...	6	...	29	13
Jew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Native-Christian	...	3	...	2	...	4	...	14	8
Indo-European	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
European	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	6	4
Negro-African	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...
Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Unknown Races	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	15	61	1	33	33	43	3	391	236
Corresponding week 1871	14	103	15	39	6	50	6	324	291

HIGH COURT.—26TH JANUARY.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon. Sir CHARLES SARGENT.)

APPEAL FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

3-8-70—Shapurjee and Thakurdas—Goswamijee Girdhurjee Maharaj v. Wallibai, widow—C. Tyabjee.—Withdrawn.

224-70—Mastarlane and Skipsey—Gangbai, widow v. Ahmedbhoy Habibhoy—Munisty and Fletcher.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

HEARING OF CLAIM REFERRED FROM CHAMBERS.

633-71—Jefferson and Payne—Goma Jadowjee and others v. Champa Permajee and others.

LONG CAUSES.

182-71—Manisty and Fletcher—The Asiatic Banking Corporation v. Lalbhoy Purbhoodas—C. Tyabjee.—Part heard.

516-70—C. Tyabjee—Diogo Antonio Rodrigues v. Ardaseer Chinoy—Hearn, Cleveland and Peile.

696-70—C. Tyabjee—Ally Ebrahim v. Bhowan Ramjee—Macfarlane and Skipsey.

105-71—Dadabhai and Lyall—Ram Bhadoor Binsilall A. v. Wassoodev Dajee Dowlay—Shamrao Pandurang.

SHIPPING ITEMS.

THE SHIP PRINCE LEOPOLD, 1,307 tons, Captain W. W. G. Irvine, arrived yesterday from Liverpool with a cargo of coals.

THE SHIP THE FOUNDLING, 1,185 tons, Captain T. J. Varian, will sail to-day for Liverpool with a cargo of 7,508 bales of cotton, 59 bales of wool, 369½ cwts. of coir yarn, 175 cwts. of hemp, 642½ cwts. of linseed, and 300 cwts. of horns.

THE following is the list of passengers per s. s. Red Gauntlet which arrived at Calcutta:—

From London—Reverend Mr. Hermann Hoernle, Mrs. Hoernle and child, two Misses Harding, Mr. Hobson, Major Little, Mr. Rook, Mr. Bondman, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Dowie, Mr. Purdon, Miss Hamilton, and one native female servant.

THE s. s. PENGUIN, Captain J. Hewett, which arrived on Wednesday from London, made the voyage in twenty-nine days and four hours. Having been detained for three days in quarantine at Port Said, the voyage was actually done in twenty-six days and four hours' steaming. The Penguin is a splendid vessel of 1,780 tons (gross), and has excellent accommodation for passengers, and each first class cabin contains only two cabins. She was built at Glasgow, and this is only her second voyage to India; the first was made to Calcutta.

STATE OF THE TIDE AT BOMBAY.

High Water.		Jan.—Feb.	Low Water.	
Time.	Height.		Time.	Height.
H. M.	Ft. In.		H. M.	Ft. In.
0 5 m	5 9	Friday 26	6 1 m	2 11
11 43 m	3 3		5 53 a	6 2
0 31 m	5 10	Saturday.. ... 27	6 36 m	3 4
0 18 a	3 3		6 28 a	6 1
1 6 m	6 0	Sunday ... 28	7 8 m	3 8
0 54 a	3 11		6 59 a	5 10
1 47 m	6 3	Monday..... 29	7 39 m	3 5
1 34 a	3 3		7 31 a	5 5

nrage which will be strong enough to survive any subsequent withdrawal of British control over the Waree State. Arrangements have been made for the disposal of all boundary disputes so as to secure the cooperation of the Chief's family and dependents in the survey operations.

The Forest Department also shows an increase of Rs. 1,597,8,6, chiefly arising from the proceeds of teak prunings. The details as compared with other years are given in the table below :—

Year.	Fees on Timber felled.	Fines for breach of Forest laws.	Proceeds by sale of Timber cut without permission.	Proceeds of Rafters.	Total.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1867-68	2,238 11 2	36 13 6	101 14 0	500 0 0	2,877 6 10
1868-69	1,621 10 1	98 11 0	203 12 5	.....	1,923 1 6
1869-70	2,055 14 6	149 2 5	356 1 9	370 4 0	2,931 3 0
1870-71	2,501 11 4	112 11 11	408 4 3	1,506 0 0	4,528 11 6

The teak preserves are much improving and promise to be very valuable. The export of wood, however, from the country generally, is limited, owing to the high rate of exportation fees. When this question has received due attention, the forest receipts may be expected to become a most important item of revenue.

The quantity of salt produced at the several salt pans at Aswanda and Ajgaum shows a large decrease, but this is purely nominal, and is due to a change in the date of closing the accounts, which are closed on March 31st, instead of July 31st, as formerly. The largest quantity of salt is produced in April and May, and will therefore fall within the report of next year.

It thus appears that the general condition of the Sawunt Waree State for the past year has been one of continued prosperity and development; and the general commercial activity of the people is evidenced also by an increase in the transactions of the Money Order office. This office which was established in May 1867, became in 1868-69 the medium of monetary transactions to the amount of Rs. 14,650. In the following year, 126 orders were issued value Rs. 5,747, and 193 were paid value Rs. 5,559-13-0, but in 1870-71, 204 orders were issued value Rs. 9,845-4-0, and 287 were paid value Rs 16,209-11-0.

The statistics of civil justice show the following results. The aggregate of suits, regular and small causes, borne on the files of both Courts, namely, the Nyayadhish's Court and the Moonsiff's Court, was as follows :—

Year.	Balance of former suits	New Suits	Total.	Disposed of.	Balance.
1870-71	1,301	1,914	3,215	2,304	1,181
1869-70	1,213	2,111	3,324	2,023	1,301
	More 88	Less 197	Less 109	More 11	Less 120

These figures show an increase of 88, of which 74 suits were on the file of the Nyayadhish's Court and 14 on that of the Moonsiff, in the balance of suits remaining from former years on the 1st of January 1870, as compared with 1869; a decrease of 197 in new suits, 54 in the Court of the former, and 143 in that of the latter; and of 109 in the total number filed, the Court of the Nyayadhish showing a net increase of 20 that of the Moonsiff a decrease of 129. There was an increase of 11 in suits disposed of in both Courts, the Nyayadhish's Court exhibiting an increase of 170 and the Moonsiff's a decrease of 159, whilst in the total balance at the close of the year a decrease of 120 appears, the decrease on the file of the former being 159 and on that of the latter an increase of 30. The return of business done in the Nyayadhish Court will thus be found more satisfactory than formerly was the case, and the disposal of business in his Court will be further facilitated by a recent alteration. Till January 1871 the same set of vakeels practised in all the Courts, whether of original or appellate jurisdiction, in the town of Waree, but since then a sufficient staff has not as full as we could wish, but from the facts we have obtained we are led to estimate the cotton so applied at 68,000 bales.

It is likewise said in England, by parties usually well informed, that the spinners stocks there were overestimated by M. Ott-Trumpler, and some confirmation is found in a count of bales held at the various railway stations as compared with previous periods. This and other evidence would seem to justify a reduction then of 90,000 bales from the figures of English spinners stocks as he gives them. These deductions being made we have the surplus, or unusual stocks of European spinners October 1 at 342,000, instead of 500,000 bales, as a contribution to the supply of 1871-72. That surplus is supposed to consist mainly of American cotton—say 275,000 bales.

Taking the actual consumption in Europe to be the quantity delivered for consumption less the 342,000 bales surplus held by spinners, we find that during last year, ending September 30, American cotton was consumed in England at the rate of 33,000 bales per week, and on the Continent (including Russia, Spain, etc.), at 19,000 bales, or for the year 1870-71 2,704,000 bales. What can be the supply for 1871-72 to Europe ?

Stock in European ports Oct. 1		289,000
Spinners surplus, 342,000, of which amount American		275,000
Suppose our crop to be	3,500,000	
And that we retain	1,100,000	
Then Europe can get	2,400,000	
Total supply of American to Europe		2,964,000
(This leaves our stock in ports as last Sept., and our mills as in 1870-71.)		
The consumption, if no more than last year, will be		2,704,000
Which would leave in Europe unconsumed		260,000
But suppose any condition of trade should demand an increased use of American, say 5 per cent		135,000

Then in the ports and mills of all Europe would be 125,000 bales, or only about 2¼ weeks supply.

The stock unconsumed cannot be reduced so low as that quantity long before it could be reached, consumption would be checked by high prices. It follows that if our crop shall prove to be only 3,500,000 bales, Europe, as a whole, cannot materially exceed its last year's use of American cotton, whatever may be the demand of trade or the condition of manufacturing interests. Passing by the question of our crop falling short of 3½ million bales, with the obvious remark that whatever it lacks of that quantity must nearly all be abated from last year's rate of consumption in Europe, we proceed to consider some of the points in the question of consumption, especially of American cotton.

Since the year opened new spindles have been set up in England at the rate of 40,000 per week, or 2,000,000 for the year. Within the same year 1,000,000 old spindles are said to have been refitted and started up. There may be no further increase of Continental spindles as is assumed by M. Ott-Trumpler, to whose good information we would always defer, but these 3 millions in England, perhaps increased to 4 millions for the average of the current year—more than 10 per cent increase in spinning capacity since September, 1870 —are not to stand idle, nor will any running spindles be stopped, while either can be run without positive loss. In the factories districts they begin to feel the scarcity as well as the power of skilled labour. This aggravates the loss and difficulty always attending the stopping of a cotton mill, loss of interest, deterioration, and the cost of starting up. The hands once dismissed and scattered to other employment, are re-gathered but slowly and expensively. Short time may be resorted to; but that is a practice on which the operatives now have something to say as to its terms. So they have a voice as to the kind of cotton to be used. In some mills the operatives, who make good wages on piecework when using American cotton, refuse to use any other, and will turn out (or strike) if it be forced upon them without a corresponding advance in wages. The master spinner who would substitute Surat for American will not must raise wages, get less product, injure the quality and price of his yarn, and incur other expense. He will not change while any profit remains in the use of American cotton, especially if he thinks he sees in the not distant future an abundant supply and cheaper prices.

At the present prices for raw cotton and for yarns there is a fair profit on all but some exceptionally unfavoured productions. We will take the price of No. 40 mule yarn and of middling upland cotton ;—not that either is a true or constant measure of value for other sorts, but as offering a fair comparative average for different periods ;—and note the last four years *the difference* between the price of one and the other at Manchester (in pence).

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
1867-68	4¦	4¦	4¦	4¦	3¦	4¦	3¦	3¦	3¦	3¦	3¦	3¦
1868-69	3¦	2¦	2¦	3¦	3¦	2¦	3	3	3¦	3¦	2¦	2¦
1869-70	2¦	3¦	3¦	3¦	3¦	4¦	4¦	4¦	5¦	4¦	4¦	4¦
1870-71	5¦	5¦	5¦	5¦	5¦	5¦	5¦	5¦	5	5¦	4¦	4¦

Averages for the years.....

1867-68	3·68
1868-69	3·03
1869-70	4·11
1870-71	5·19

Pounds cotton consumed in England ..... years.

1867-68	1,055,000,000
1868-69	916,000,000
1869-70	1,065,000,000
1870-71	1,156,000,000

* The great fluctuations from one month to another in this table of *differences* were caused by changes in the price of cotton chiefly, but in part by fluctuations in yarn also.

The difference between the yarn and the cotton was 1·06d. greater (or more profitable) in 1869-70 than in 1868-9 ; applying that gain to the cotton used in 1869-70, it amounts to £4,703,750. The gain from 1869-70 to 1870-71 was 1·08d., which, on the cotton consumed in 1870-71, amounts to £5,292,000. The contrast or gain, as between 1868-69 and 1870-71, was 2·14d., giving on the consumption of the latter year £10,486,000 increase of profit.

These several amounts show in part the contrasts between years of poor, medium, and very good results. Since the price of middling upland cotton advanced above 9d. last summer, the difference between yarn and cotton, of the kinds above named, has averaged about 5d. In November it has been about 4¾d., or much the same as in the average of 1869-70, when the profit was sufficient to bring out in the London *Economist*, and in trade circulars, glowing accounts of the "Revival in Lancashire." That difference must further diminish by more than 1d. per pound from advance in cotton or decline in yarns, or part from both, before the English spinners can be in the poor and profitless position they held in 1868-9. If the currrent prices of yarns can be maintained then cotton may advance until middling upland shall be worth 10½d., without sinking the spinners' profit on the average production. There may be an exceptional advance in American for the few months in which its supply must be inadequate to the demand which trade would make for it, if not deterred by excessive prices.

Will there be market for the full production of yarn, by all the machinery now in motion, at the prices now current? Looking at the large accumulations of cotton goods in the Eastern markets, one is inclined to predict a falling off in England's export of them. But, again, looking at the rapid and vast increase in the trade since 1866, each year marked by predictions of such glut in the East that the following year must show a reduction, and noting that each year, including the last, has shown, not reduction, but an increase in a rapidly progressing ratio ; and that the accumulation now bears only about the same proportion to the year's export that it has in the previous years, the inclination to repeat the prediction gives place to an inquiry for explanation of this new and wonderful expansion of trade to India and China. It has been suggested that the vast populations of those countries, clad chiefly in cotton fabrics, have found it expedient to discard the native cloth and adopt the cotton cloth of Europe, and that their ability and inclination to buy the latter have been extended by the events of the last few years which have enlarged their knowledge of and facilities for trade and barter with the Western countries. If the suggestion has good foundation in fact, we have seen but the beginning of a commercial and economic change that will amount to a revolution. When the hundreds of millions of cotton-wearing people of the East depend on Western spindles and looms for their yarns and cloth for clothing and other uses, the demand so arising will be met by use of the staple that best combines the requisites of "cheapest and best," and that will be our American cotton and no other. This thought reaches into the future, more or less distant. We may consider only so much as bears upon the present—that is visible or probable. There is then no apparent reason why the Eastern trade shall not continue the demand on England's factories this year to an extent nearly or quite up to that of last year, if not arrested by advanced prices.

At slight concessions in price the demand in Manchester becomes active. It is reasonable to assume that there will be no material decline in the price of yarns until made from cheaper cotton, nor any but a temporary check to the activity which has prevailed during the last two years. Then it follows almost of necessity that if our crop does not exceed 3½ million bales the supply of American cotton to all Europe in 1871-2 will be scanty. Its use cannot well be reduced except by the restriction of price, and that need not be operative at any point short of 10½d. for middling uplands, if at that.

Economists and statisticians have said much of late years of the diminished purchasing power of gold and the enhancement of price by the extensions of traffic, in spite of many cheapening processes. This applies especially to what are termed raw materials. Yet no one seems to consider it with reference to the price of cotton—perhaps because it has been so immediately controlled by the relations of actual or supposed supply and demand. If other commodities of trade and materials for manufacturing industry have appreciated in gold value since ten years ago, to the extent of 20 to 40 per cent—say 33 1-3 per cent in common average—why is not cotton under the same law? If the average price of cotton in the 3 years of abundant supply, 1859-1861, was above 7d., and touched 7¾d. to 8¼d. under special influences upon the market, why should it not be above 9d. in the years of bountiful supply now, and touch 10d. to 10½d. in periods of scarcity ? If these are but fair prices in relation to the prices of other articles, there is nothing startling or alarming in the demand for them. During and since our war cotton was kept out of the gradual change that was taking place in the price of other articles, by its own peculiar position. Now its fair normal value should be claimed, always like everything else subject to the law first to be felt and obeyed, that of supply and demand. If this reasoning be not faulty, midland upland cotton should be worth 9d. in Liverpool, if our crop be considerably larger than the year's demand for it, and as much more price as the trade can bear without loss, if the crop be less than the natural demand for it.

We cannot close without a word of caution to planters. We have set forth, in fair and moderate terms, the strength of the argument in favour of higher prices for American cotton in Europe. There is a point, however, at which price will check consumption materially, and stop many mills. It may not be at 10½d., but no one can safely assume it will be higher. It is therefore unwise to hold cotton in expectation of getting a high price for it in the spring. If 10½d. is the highest price the trade can bear, it matters not if our crop be less than 3½ millions. Any quantity that is short of the wants of spinners (and we have shown that 3½ millions is short of their wants) is small enough to produce the highest price, and a smaller can do but little if any more.

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THE STORY OF MARTIN GUERRE.

(Times.)

We need not be told that "there is nothing new under the sun,"—not even the Tichborne case. Many of those who day after day wade through six or more columns of the morning papers for a report of the passes-at-arms between "Mr. Hawkins" and "Brother Ballantine," hardly suspect that particulars of still more vital interest than any that have as yet arisen from the present trial were discussed before a French Court of law more than three centuries ago. All of us are aware that in cases of natural resemblance, especially with twins, the discernment of the most familiar acquaintance is often at fault ; but strange freaks of the same description have also been played by mere fortuitous likeness. Ancient writers amuse us with their tales of the "ridiculous" likeness between Strabo, the great Pompey's father, and his cook, and of the other still more striking resemblance of Sura, a Roman Proconsul in Sicily, to a fisherman native of that island—a resemblance not only of feature, size, and figure, but also of voice, smile, and gesture, with the additional coincidence of the habit of stammering. It is known that the Proconsul, who could not account for the phenomenon, maliciously asked his facsimile "whether his mother had ever been at Rome," whereupon the fisherman ingenuously answered, "Not my mother, but my father."

In the case we now propose to condense, however, the identity was in a great measure a matter of imagination. People who had sworn to an undeniable likeness in perfectly good faith, and upon the strongest and most irresistible conviction, were ultimately compelled to acknowledge their error, and to give, as it were evidence against themselves. The main facts of the case are the following :—In the year 1539 Martin Guerre, a native of Biscay, belonging to the class of well-to-do peasant proprietors, married a girl, by name Bertrande de Rols, an inhabitant of Artigues, in the diocese of Rieux, in Languedoc, where Martin's family had settled. Both the bride and bridegroom were at the time little more than children, about 11 years old, and nine years passed before they had any children. At last a son was born, whom they called Sanxi, and about whose birth there were some circumstances which might be presumed to have remained a secret between the parents. It happened that Martin Guerre robbed his father of some corn, and dreading the consequences of a detection of his offence left the country, and was absent for eight years, during which there was neither trace nor intelligence of him. In the interval his father died, leaving four daughters under the guardianship of his brother, Pierre Guerre, who managed the family estate in the name of the absent Martin. At the end of eight years the lost Martin Guerre, or one whom every one at once recognized as such, reappeared in Artigues, and was welcomed by his wife Bertrande, by his sisters, by his uncle, and by all his friends and acquaintances, living with them for three years without raising a shadow of suspicion. His wife, who had been warmly attached to her husband before his disappearance, was overjoyed at his supposed return, clung to the new-comer with redoubled affection, and bore him two children, one of whom died in tender age. Presently, however, a soldier happened to go through the village of Artigues, who, at a private interview, communicated to Bertrande the startling intelligence that her real husband, Martin Guerre, was living in Flanders, that he had been a soldier like himself, and had lost a leg, carried off by a cannon-ball, at the Battle of St. Laurent. Bertrande, evidently disturbed, but not convinced, went to a notary, bade him draw up a record of the soldier's revelations, but took no further notice of them, and continued to live in the most intimate terms with the man who had been represented to her as an impostor. At the end of three years disputes arose between the alleged Martin Guerre and his Uncle Pierre with respect to the restitution of part of the property. Pierre proceeded to acts of personal violence against the man he believed to be his nephew, and in one instance, in which he attacked him with a bar of iron, the nephew was only rescued from the uncle's fury by the interference of the loving Bertrande. Shortly afterwards this same nephew was arrested in consequence of a quarrel he had with one of the villagers, and while he was in durance at Toulouse his Uncle Pierre and four of the sons-in-law of this latter endeavoured to prevail on Bertrande to denounce Martin as an imposter. But she withstood all their arguments, and to every denial urged against the man now personally in her husband, she instantly replied that he must "either be Martin Guerre or the Devil in his skin." Her imprisoned husband was presently released on bail, and on his return to his village he was again received by her with every mark of conjugal attachment. But on the following day, early in the morning, his Uncle Pierre, with his four sons-in law, broke into Martin's house with arms in their hands, and, professing to act by power of attorney in the wife's name, arrested Martin, charging him with fraud and deception. The power of attorney, however, as it was proved, was only signed by Bertrande in the evening of that same day.

The prosecution began before the Judge at Rieux, and witnesses came forward on either side. It was alleged on the part of the uncle that the prisoner was not Martin Guerre, but one Arnauld de Tilh, *alias* Pansette, of Sagias, a man of bad character, known to many in the district from early youth. On behalf of the prisoner it was urged that he had been, after an absence of eight years, recognized without hesitation by his uncle, by his four sisters, and by his wife, as well as by all the community, without any doubt ever arising as to his identity, for a whole period of three years. No change was noticed in the man except the growth of a long beard, which had taken the place of the youthful down which fringed his chin at the time of his disappearance. It was urged that the intimacy of married life precluded the possibility of deception on the part of Bertrande, and much stress was laid on her blameless conduct, her upright character, on the strong affection she had always shown for her husband, present or absent, and on her visible repugnance to join her husband's uncle in his prosecution. Allusion was made to those conjugal secrets respecting the birth of their first child, Sanxi, which were not of a nature to find their way out of the nuptial bed. The private points to the fact that from the very moment of his re-appearance he found himself perfectly at home on all subjects connected with his former life, greeted friends and acquaintances on their first meeting, each of them with the degree of cordiality justified by their former intimacy, reminding them of circumstances which had escaped their memory and dwelling on particulars which either private or of so trivial a nature that prearrangement or collusion seemed altogether out of the question. He described with the greatest accuracy his father and mother, his marriage, the priest who had celebrated it, the witnesses, the guests, the persons who, according to custom, had accompanied him within the threshold of the bridal chamber, and up to the nuptial bed, where the bride awaited him ; and especially those circumstances of an extremely delicate nature connected with the birth of his child Sanxi. He gave a most precise account of his eight years' wanderings, of his serving first in the French, then in the Spanish army, and his narrative was ascertained to be thoroughly correct in every particular. Bertrande, also, being examined, not only confirmed all the prisoner's assertions, but alluded to their long-entertained belief that their having no children for nine years had been by them attributed to witchcraft, and to the prayers, fasting and masses to which they had recourse for a counter-charm—all circumstances on which, on a second examination, her statements were found to tally in every respect with those of the prisoner.

Witnesses then came in to the number of 150. Between 20 and 40 of them expressed no doubt about the identity between the prisoner and the long absent Martin Guerre ; 50 declared that the prisoner was no other than Arnauld de Tilh, and 60 professed themselves to be so perplexed by the resemblance between Martin and Arnauld, both of whom they had familiarly and intimately known, that they found it impossible to come to a conclusion. The son Sanxi was then produced, and no resemblance whatever was traced from him to his supposed father, the prisoner ; but, on the other hand, the prisoner was said to have the family look, and to be as like the four sisters of Martin Guerre "as one egg is like another egg."

Upon summing up this conflicting evidence the Judge of Rieux gave sentence against the prisoner, and condemned him as an impostor, adulterer, usurper, &c., to be beheaded and quartered. But the case was brought by appeal before the Parliament of Toulouse, and subjected to a new inquiry. The prisoner was confronted with Bertrande, and professed that he would abide by her decision. He would care for no other witness but her, and place his life at her discretion. "Would she swear that he was not Martin Guerre ?" Bertrande's answer was that "she could neither swear nor believe it." New batches of witnesses were then summoned. Out of 30, ten swore that the prisoner was Martin Guerre, seven that he was Arnauld de Tilh ; the remainder were doubtful. And yet all these had been well acquainted with both ; they had all been boon companions together, and knew every particular connected with both of them from infancy. An uncle of Arnauld and some of his friends avowed that they had recognized the prisoner as Arnauld from the very outset, but that they had hesitated about exposing him, either from reluctance to bring him to the scaffold or from consideration of what their connivance might bring to themselves. In other words, they convicted themselves of false testimony.

The most singular point of the case was that, upon summing up the opinion of all the witnesses, there seemed to be no actual personal resemblance between Martin Guerre and Arnauld de Tilh. Martin was described as somewhat tall and dark, with a thin body and limbs, a sunken head between vaulted shoulders, a forked chin pointed upwards, a hanging nether lip, a large turned up nose, with an ulcer on his face and a scar on his eyebrow, while Arnauld was not tall, but thickset, with a protuberant body, a good stout leg, no stoop in the shoulders, with features in no way answering Martin's description, and, although he had scars about his face, no two witnesses could agree as to the peculiar spots on which they were. A shoemaker who had fitted Martin with shoes for years averred that his shoes were longer and larger by one-fourth than any shoes which would suit the prisoner's feet. Other witnesses testified that Martin had been skilled in fencing and wrestling, while the prisoner was totally unacquainted with those accomplishments ; that Martin was a native of Biscay, while the prisoner was evidently unfamiliar with the Basque language, and broke down in his attempt to speak a few words of it. Finally, it was established that Arnauld de Tilh was a notorious scamp, an infidel, and a blasphemer, guilty of deeds of fraud and violence ; a man of low cunning and consummate impudence ; in fact, just such a man as might be deemed capable of conceiving a bold scheme of deception and going through with it with the most brazen assurance. There, indeed, appeared one witness, by name Jean Espagnol, an innkeeper, who asserted that Arnauld de Tilh had been his guest, that he had told him how in his travels he had fallen in with his old comrade, Martin Guerre, how they had lived and roved together for a long time, laying aside all reserve and obtaining the fullest knowledge of each other's secrets, intoxication even frequently letting out what ought to have been most sacred ; and that the said Martin having been taken ill, and being about to die, had given him, Arnauld de Tilh, whatever he had about his person. All these particulars, Jean Espagnol said, had been revealed to him by Arnauld, but in the strictest secrecy, and upon his pledging himself to reveal them to no man. All this evidence, however, had no sufficient weight with the Parliament of Toulouse, who set against it the spontaneous and undisputed recognition of the prisoner as Martin Guerre for three years by all who had interest in ascertaining the truth, and even by some who might have had interest in disproving it, as was the case with the uncle, Pierre Guerre, who was at the head of the prosecution, but who had yet so long lived on friendly terms with the prisoner, never dreaming of disputing his identity with his nephew till he came to a contest with him, attempted his life, and, being baffled in his assault, swore he would have his revenge at any cost. With respect to the conflict of evidence as to personal identity, the Court had to consider that Martin Guerre had left the country in his 20th year, when growth, even in height, was by no means impossible, while thinness and weakness of appearance, and even a stoop in the shoulders, might have been modified by a more active life, a change of climate and of the habits of life. As to features and the expression of the countenance, little reliance could be put on the powers of observation and recollection of mere ignorant boors. On most of these points the resemblance between Martin and the prisoner was grounded on the assertion of the majority of the witnesses ; all of whom, besides, concurred in establishing the wonderful likeness of the prisoner to the four sisters of Martin, at the same time that they could trace no connexion between the prisoner and Martin's son, Sanxi,—all which circumstance led to the conclusion that the family type, which could not be recognized in a mere child's undeveloped features, was evident when referred to the settled countenance of grown-up persons. The facts, also, that Martin Guerre was remembered as having double eye-teeth in the upper jaw, a scar on the forehead, the nail of the forefinger of his left hand sunk in the flesh, three warts on the right hand and one on the little finger, and that the prisoner exhibited all these marks on his face and hands, carried not a little weight in his favour. The objection that the alleged Martin Guerre, a born Basque, was almost totally unacquainted with the Basque language was overruled by the circumstance that the real Martin had left Biscay when only two years old, and settled in Languedoc. There was no evidence to his having retained the knowledge of his native tongue, or being able to speak it at the time of his disappearance. Finally, the very character that all witnesses gave to Arnauld de Tilh tended to disprove the identity between him and the prisoner, as the prisoner's conduct during the three years of his residence at Artigues had been irreproachable.

Everything combined thus to incline the Judges of the Toulouse Parliament to give their sentence in favour of the prisoner, when a man calling himself Martin Guerre, and with a wooden leg, answering the description given by the soldier to Bertrande, appeared in court. He was immediately arrested and confined to a cell, depriving him of all communication with the outer world, and, being secretly examined, he entered into all the particulars respecting his family, his village, and his acquaintance with considerable accuracy, but yet not with the minuteness, with the promptness and certainty, which had been displayed by the first prisoner throughout the transaction. The two Martins were then confronted, and both stood the test of cross-examination with firmness ; but it was observed that the new-comer, although consistent and positive, was in frequent instances, and especially in matters of domestic and conjugal concerns, less glib and explicit than his adversary. They were plied separately with questions on topics which had hitherto never been alluded to in the trial, but the answers were equally ready and fully satisfactory on either side. Witnesses were then called,—first, the brothers of Arnauld de Tilh, who all abscond-d, and were vainly subpœnaed, as they did not wish to run any risk of criminating a near relative in what had now become a matter of life and death ; next, the sisters of Martin Guerre, who, as they entered one by one and cast a glance on the newcomer, threw their arms round his neck, bursting into tears, calling him their real brother, and asking his pardon a thousand times for having allowed themselves to be the dupes of a gross deception, which had equally imposed upon all their neighbours. Bertrande came next, and in her case also the first sight of the man with the wooden leg seemed to cause the scales at once to fall from her eyes. She sank on her knees before the husband she had so grievously and yet so unwittingly wronged, and she urged in her exculpation the astonishing resemblance between him and the villain who had deceived her, and the readiness with which his own sisters and all the village of Artigues had fallen into her own delusion. The same revulsion of feelings manifested itself in all the witnesses who were brought in succession, especially in those who had been foremost in acknowledging the first pretender and to give evidence in his favour. The passionate accent and the flowing tears of the loving wife carried conviction to the hearts of the judges. The man with the wooden leg was reinstated in all his rights as Martin Guerre, and his imposture, Arnauld de Tilh, was condemned to be hanged and burnt. Before he was led out for execution he avowed that he had served as a soldier with Martin Guerre ; that he had lived with him on such terms of friendship as enabled him to gain possession of all his secrets, and that upon his return from the wars, having ascertained in with some persons who had mistaken him for his friend, he had conceived the scheme of taking that friend's name and place—a scheme which had at first succeeded to the full extent of his expectation.

Not a little of the perplexity in the above narrative lies on the character of the wife. She was, as we have seen, very fond of the boy who had been at an absurdly early age given her as a partner for life. The union was for eight years a happy one, and Bertrande had stronly and victoriously resisted the suggestions of her parents, who, laying the blame of the non-appearance of children on her husband, advised her to make use of the sentiments of concubinage. She had borne with her eight years' forlorn condition as a "grass-widow" with the greatest fortitude, and disdained the advances of swains who hinted that her husband's long absence and silence fully entitled her to consider herself free to form another new tie. There had never been a whisper of scandal about her, and there could be no reason to suppose that when the pretended Martin Guerre appeared she had connived at his fraud in her eagerness to fill her absent husband's place. Till some time after the birth of her two children it would seem hard to suspect collusion on her part, although no person can answer with greater certainty about a man's identity than his wife, still, as Bertrande alleged, there were her husband's uncle, his sisters, and the husbands of the two married ones, to gether with the whole community, to confirm her in her judgment. Affection might render her husband's sisters, as well as herself, somewhat too hasty in believing what they desired. But Martin's brothers-in law were not easily to be moved by the same feelings, and their interests, as well as those of Martin's uncle, would naturally be arrayed against any man in whom they might suspect a mere pretender. For at least to years the delusion had been complete and general. Martin Guerre was thought to have come back in the flesh ; and no one even thought of looking twice into his face to satisfy himself as to the man's identity. There was here a case of something more than mere personal resemblance, for the new comer settled among his neighbours as the man of yore ; he took up the thread of his daily intercourse as he had left it. He was expected to have the right word for every man he met, to know the circumstances of every family whose house door he went past, to recollect the relations which had existed between himself and a whole circle of his fellow beings. Arnauld de Tilh, be it remembered, was not a native of Artigues, but of Sagias. Whatever knowledge he might have of Martin's village and connexions was probably collected from his conversation with his comrade, at a time in which the notion of personating his comrade had not yet dawned in his brain. There must have been something prodigious in the retentive powers and in the dexterity of the impostor—though, no doubt, the unsuspicious frames of mind of the persons with whom he conversed may have admirably aided the deception by unconsciously suggesting the answers to the questions propounded, or by overlooking any inaccuracy in his assumed information. For fully two years no man dreamt of testing the pretender's veracity, and, before that time was over, the pretender had made himself sufficiently at home in his supposed home to use against adverse witnesses the very knowledge they had themselves supplied. In his intercourse with Bertrande the false Martin Guerre must have proceeded with far greater tact and displayed still greater skill, for Bertrande had cohabited with the true Martin for above eight years. She had grown up with him from an early age ; she was the mother of his only child. No mere similarity of form and feature was here required, but a perfect identity of tastes, habits, and humours, a knowledge of all a husband's ways and moods—all that in so close a connexion man and wife have reciprocally to bear and forbear. That Bertrande might in some moments have said or thought that her husband had come back an altered man would have been natural under all circumstances, but a mere change in the same man must have its limits. Between an altered man and another man their must be a world wide difference, and the impossibility of nature ever repeating itself, even in the production of two blades of grass, is so well established that no mere similarity can ever stand the test of long, close, and thorough observation.

How long Bertrande really believed in her new man it would be impossible to ascertain. The statement of the soldier on the first assault of her that her husband was living in Flanders seems, indeed, to have disconcerted her. Possibly, misgivings may have sprung up in her mind even at an earlier epoch, but these she probably smothered, thinking that she was by this time too far committed by her hasty admission of the pretender's claims to be able to break from him. She had her sense of shame, the interest of her children, and perhaps her attachment to her new companion to make her shrink from a disclosure sure to be fraught with terrible consequences. Possibly also, her mind was distracted with doubt to the last ; and when she stood before her husband's uncle, on his first hinting that she should denounce the impostor—and declared that her present man must "either be Martin Guerre or the Devil in his skin"—she in all probability believed what she said ; nor was she, even at a later time, able to withstand the impostor's adjuration that "she should swear whether or not he was Martin Guerre." She "could not swear that he was not." Even when she came to a full avowal to her real husband she pleaded the impossibility of resisting, not only his wonderful resemblance to the husband she had lost, but all the evidence resulting from his knowledge of those secrets which that husband alone had in his keeping, and which the husband, being a man, could never have imparted to another man. Possibly by the time she became aware of her mistake she was convinced that the real Martin would never return ; or that, even if he returned, he could not complain of a treatment which his heartless desertion and his unmanly indiscretion fully deserved. It was only when the man actually stood before her, claiming what she felt was undoubtedly his own, that all doubt was dispelled and the charm of a first love recovered its ascendancy.

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